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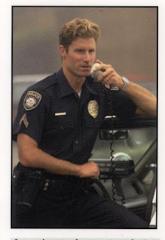
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Cover Story

Listening in on South America

By Dave White

The huge continent of South American is a surprisingly difficult shortwave target for a number of reasons. Many counties have no external shortwave service, and many have very few domestic shortwave broadcasters. English broadcasts are almost nonexistent. On the other hand, fascinating Latin rhythms and local color make South America a DX challenge that can turn into a life-long fascination.

Dave White kicks off this comprehensive DX guide with a country by country description of who's on where and what you can expect to hear, starting on page 10.

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Guide to QSL Addresses: South America 16

By Gayle Van Horn

Hang on to this article! Four jam-packed pages list South American station addresses accumulated over the years by *MT*'s "QSL Report" editor. But first, she has some advice on politely requesting a QSL from these poor but proud neighbors to the south.

San Francisco's Radio Heritage22

By Leon Fletcher

Historians may disagree about the first radio station to broadcast regularly scheduled programs, but a very strong case can be made on behalf of a station in San Francisco with a unique story. In fact, two San Francisco stations claim to precede Pittsburgh's KDKA. Many well-known actors and writers got their start in this radio-rich town.

Roadtrip! Scanning I-3526

By John Mayson

Most of us love to travel, but these days we're usually doing it along the nation's superhighways. Packing the scanner is often just wishful thinking as the counties whiz by faster than our search functions. Here's a new approach to try – be prepared with basic frequencies and bandplans for public safety communications geared to your route. As an example, let's travel the Texas portion of the NAFTA Highway, Interstate-35.



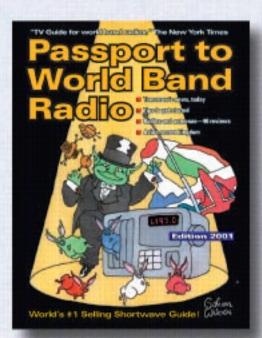
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Reviews:

A lot of interest has preceded the release of Alinco's DJ-X2T wide coverage handheld receiver. Its innovative design and diminutive size make comparisons to the Icom IC-R2 and Yaesu VR-500 inevitable. See Parnass' review on page 100.

A major drawback of oldie-butgoodies like the Icom IC-R7000 is their slow scan speed. Catalano uses four software programs to bypass the outdated electronics of the R7000 to improve its performance (p.96).

So many useful functions are packed into the hand-held Protek 3201 RF field analyzer – spectrum analyzer, frequency counter, data recorder and more – that the only thing that may keep it from the hobby market is its price (p.102).

Whether you're buying a shortwave receiver or a scanner, selectivity is a major consideration in evaluating its performance. To understand this important parameter, turn to Ian Poole's article on page 98.

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High Tech Monitoring Raises Privacy Questions

TOA stands for the "Scientific and Technological Options Assessment" agency. Established in 1987 and headquartered in Luxembourg, it is an official and little known technology research agency of the European Parliament.

The STOA Panel is charged with scrutinizing the impact of science and technology on various social, political, environmental and economic issues.

A recent study published by STOA, entitled "Interception Capabilities 2000," is a brutally frank and in depth study of how various nations of the world obtain information about what governments, organizations and maybe private citizens are doing.

"Interception Capabilities 2000"

Communications intelligence (Comint) is information derived from foreign communications by other than the intended recipient – covert surveillance or spying. The report says that Comint has become a large-scale industrial activity employing many workers who sift through high capacity civil telecommunications systems using high degrees of automation.

The traditional targets have been military messages and diplomatic communications between foreign countries. Also targeted, following the growth of world trade, is economic intelligence about technical and scientific developments. More recent targets include narcotics trafficking, money laundering, terrorism and organized crime.

The UKUSA agreement

The United States Sigint (Signal Intelligence) unit consists of the NSA (National Security Agency), the Central Security Service (military support units) and parts of the CIA (Central Intelligence Agency.) Following wartime collaboration, the UK and the US made a secret agreement in 1947 to continue to conduct collaborative global Comina activities. Canada, Australia and New Zealand later joined the UKUSA alliance.

Besides UKUSA, there are at least 30 other nations intercepting sensitive information. The largest is the Russian FAPSI with 54,000 employees. China has a "substantial" Sigint system, two stations of which are directed at Russia and operate in collaboration with the United States. Most Middle Eastern and Asian nations – in particular Israel, India and Pakistan – have large communications intelligence agencies.

Collection, processing, production and dissemination

Communications intelligence collection includes acquiring the intercepted information and passing the data downstream to human analysts for processing and production. Processing is the conversion of the collected information into a form suitable for analysis. Production involves the evaluation and interpretation of raw intercepted data into finished intelligence. Dissemination is the passing of the de-

crypted or translated intelligence to the appropriate party.

Once targets have been selected, the collection process is determined based on the type of information required, the susceptibility of the targeted activity to collection and the likelihood of collection. This task was simple years ago when refracted long range (HF) radio communications were easily intercepted. From 1940 to 1980, both NSA and the GCHQ (Government Communications Headquarters, its British counterpart) operated HF radio interception.

Today's modern communications systems, however, require unusual, expensive or intrusive methods to gain access. For example, intercity microwave radio-relay systems, international satellite links and fiber optic subsea cables carry mixed television, telephone, fax, data links, private voice and data. They are all monitored.

Intelligence data including telemetry, VHF/UHF radio, cellular mobile phones, paging signals, mobile data and microwave radio are collected by Comint satellites which cost around \$1 billion each. "...the United States can if it chooses, direct space collection systems to intercept mobile communications signals and microwave city-to-city traffic, anywhere on the planet." While no other nation has the sophisticated satellite intelligence collection capability of the United States, some other nations do have Comint satellites. For example, Russia's FAPSI operates a large ground collection site in Cuba and Vietnam.

Communications from undersea cables can be "tapped" by wrapping coils around the cable using remotely controlled drones. "The United States is the only naval power known to have deployed deep-sea technology for this purpose." Optical fiber cables do not leak RF signals and cannot be tapped using inductive loops. "NSA and other Comint agencies have spent a great deal of money on research into tapping optical fibers, reportedly with little success."

Intercepting the Internet

Most of the world's Internet capacity lies within or connects to the United States. Thus a large proportion of international Internet communications is readily accessible to NSA. Internet packets are inherently easy to identify as to sender, recipient and country. But, "Unless special warrants are issued, NSA is normally legally restricted to looking only at communications that start or finish in a foreign country."

NSA employs "bots" (robots) to collect non-verbal data of interest. This global surveillance system run by the military-intelligence community is codenamed ECHELON. The system attempts to capture staggering volumes of satellite, microwave, private phone calls, Internet, cellular, fax, telex and fiberoptic traffic, including communications to and from North America. This data is then filtered for code words or phrases.

New evidence shows that this computer "sifting" of intercepted communications has existed for more than 20 years.

The key component of the system are "dictionary" computers which pick out key words and hunt out hundreds of individuals and corporations.

The presence of "dictionary" computers has been confirmed in Canada, Australia, New Zealand and England. The U.S. operates ECHELON sites at Sugar Grove, WV, and at Sabana Seca, Puerto Rico.

The intelligence community is very concerned about the difficulty of future information gathering. The shift in telecommunications to high capacity optical fiber networks requires access to the cables for interception. And the war against readable commercially-available cryptography appears lost. [Published by the European Parliament Directorate General for Research, Luxembourg.]

The release of the STOA report sparked a firestorm of controversy in Europe! The European Parliament said it believed the American-led ECH-ELON posed a threat to privacy and civil liberties. It further believes the need to protect national security is not ECHELON's only concern and that industrial espionage has become a part of ECHELON's activities

The French government has launched an official investigation into the possibility that information has been given to American companies in an attempt to gain an advantage over rival firms. And both the Italian and Danish governments have begun separate investigations of Echelon's intelligencegathering efforts.

There is no question that ECHELON is a formidable means for fighting corruption, organized crime and terrorism, although the United States government refuses to admit that ECHELON even exists. The FBI has reluctantly admitted, however, that they do use another digital snoop tool (code named CARNI-VORE). This Internet surveillance program is somewhat similar to ECHELON. The FBI insists its "Carnivore" e-mail surveillance system is used only with a court order.

Wiretapping under Title 18 of the criminal code can only be accomplished under court order. Automatic electronic snooping may involve the interception of communications involving Americans in the United States without a court order. Civil libertarians want to be certain that the ECHELON and CARNIVORE systems do not filter, monitor and capture the private mail of innocent users. The American Civil Liberties Union has already asked Congress to hold a hearing on ECHELON.

These massive surveillance systems operate with little oversight and members of the *House Select Committee on Intelligence* want to know if the communications of Americans were being intercepted and under what authority.

The ACLU has constructed a website called "Echelon Watch" dedicated to keeping tabs on the surveillance technique at http://www.aclu.org/echelonwatch/



Smart choices

"The new low-resolution magazine loads about 1 hour and 10 minutes at 46.6 on a 56k modem and I am still impressed! I always felt self conscious about all that paper coming out to my home in the mail and the devastation of Canada's forests, because America cannot get a grip on its self indulgent ways. Thanks, I am glad I upgraded to downloading your magazine!"

- Mark Swarbrick, Newtown Square, PA

Mark is referring to the fact that MT Express subscribers have the option of downloading a high-resolution version of the magazine, or a faster-loading, lower-resolution version.

"Scouting" out antennas

"I recently picked up an Opto Scout along with the 'micro' antenna they suggest. I've used this equipment before and am generally familiar with its operation. Now that I own one I've become more critical of its operation and have made the following observations.

"The micro antenna they supply obviously has a very small capture area and tends to keep the signals it receives to those nearby. Understanding how the Scout operates, I see this as an advantage. I noticed that the operation is especially good in the 800 - 950 MHz region, decreasing the farther you go from these frequencies. In the 30-50 MHz area it's basically deaf.

"I decided to do some testing and discovered that the antenna is resonant at about 918 MHz. Received signal strength also peaks in this part of the spectrum. Based on the concept of a

'nearfield' receiving antenna, I'm wondering if the small rubber antennas that NASCAR listeners use might be better suited for VHF (150-170) / UHF (400-500) use. Or. have you any other suggestions? I'm thinking that FM broadcast stations might offer some desensing, so I may try inserting a FM trap in line with the antenna."

- Bob Kozlarek, Elmwood Park, NJ

I fielded this question to Bob Grove, who responded, "You're right on all counts. Intuitively, I think you've answered your own questions.

"By keeping the general RF field density low, the counter responds only to near field signals which it interprets as being the strongest, so you don't get false products. But by substituting a resonant 155 MHz rubber duckie, you'd encourage the detection of nearby 152/158 MHz pager signals, NOAA weather broadcasters, and other powerhouses that could give false readings in a near-field environment. An FM trap will certainly reduce those broadcasters by 30 dB or so. "

Nextel news

"I was reading my e-copy of November's MT and saw the question about Nextel radios (in "Ask Bob," in which the writer noted Nextel was used because it could be used as a walkietalkie). We use Nextel extensively at work and I have spoken to one of their engineers about the service.

"Nextel primarily uses three models of ra-

dios/phones, all made by Motorola – the i500, i700, and i1000. These are Motorola iDEN radios/phones. Each unit can be configured as a cell phone only, a twoway radio only, or both. They also have alpha paging and Internet capabilities.

answer out of the engineer as to which frequencies these units use; however, playing around with the diagnostics mode, I did find an option which displayed the frequency being used. I have determined that both telephone and radio transmissions occur in the

(approx) 850 - 868 MHz region, which is definitely noncellular.

"However my Trunk Tracker could not even follow these transmissions. iDEN is a proprietary modulation scheme and it's highly unlikely there will ever be an off-the-shelf scanner capable of receiving these. I did hear of a person in the Atlanta area who used Motorola test equipment to listen to the Georgia State Patrol iDEN radios provided by SouthLinc, but I don't know the details. Since then, the GSP has dropped these radios and gone back to their VHF sys-

"The range really depends on the service area. We're in the Texas/Oklahoma service area which covers mostly along Interstate corridors from San Antonio and Houston, up to the Dallas area, and up into Oklahoma City and Tulsa. Outside of this area they're useless as a twoway radio. Like most digital communications, they're either very clear and crisp, or totally inaudible."

- John Mayson

Dan Veeneman adds, "Nextel uses frequencies in the SMR band between cellular mobile transmit and cellular base transmit."

Huh?

Ken Hydeman says he lost his original notes on this unusual traffic, and wonders if anyone else heard these communications?

"I think it was on the night of June 13, I was doing some shortwave listening. On 7115 kHz I heard an interesting communication between W1VOA and other stations, W1VOA's location being Greenville, NC. I got the impression they were using VOA antennas. The VOA operator said a local university hospital wanted to be able to contact a hospital in Hawaii which they did earlier – It sounded like they wanted a path of communication for both routine and emergency situations. All transmissions ended at midnight local time."

- Ken Hydeman, Xenia, OH

A callsign lookup and then a visit to the ARRL website brought the answer to your question, Ken, and it's rather interesting. Following is an excerpt of the preliminary press release from the Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club of Pitt County, NC.

"The Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) (see: http://www.ncarrl.org/ares/) and Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club of Pitt

County (see: http://www.qsl.net/w4amc/) are working to support RIMPAC 2000/Operation Strong Angel organized by the

United States Navy Third Fleet. This exercise,

"I did not get a clear



Monitoring Times is on the cover of Dave Lund's QSL card (operating daily on 20 meters SSB).

which will be conducted in Hawaii June 10-16, 2000, is a US Navy Exercise designed as a mock disaster drill. Operation Strong Angel formally involves the telemedicine arm of the Brody School of Medicine to provide medical support for this eight nation effort (see:

http://www.telemed.med.ecu.edu/strong/index.htm).

"Pitt County ARES hams will provide initial connectivity between Brody School of Medicine and the Strong Angel Base I utilizing the mammoth antennas of the recently decommissioned Voice of America, Site C - Edward R. Murrow Memorial Greenville Relay Station. This unique site is in transition between the U. S. Government and ECU (East Carolina University).

"The antennas were designed to provide extremely sensitive reception directed at all parts of the world to assure collection of national news broadcasts that were in turn assembled for broadcast at studios in Washington, DC, at the VOA transmitter sites in Pitt County, and other parts of the US). Imagine more than 85 towers carrying miles of wire designed solely for radio reception - a ham radio operator's heaven! Our operators are not merely listening. These antennas also facilitate low power transmissions characteristic of amateur radio - 100 watts - a mere candle flicker in comparison with the multiple transmitters of USIA's VOA Sites A and B in

other parts of Pitt County transmitting half a million watts apiece!

"The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club was recently assigned a second club callsign - W1VOA. This callsign is being used at Site C during this exercise. Voice communications are scheduled to be initiated between Site C and the Puu Paa, Hawaii, site of Operation Strong Angel beginning Saturday evening, June 10.

"Future exercises are already in planning stages that will target the Central American nation of El Salvador next spring. Pending successful amateur radio operations from VOA Site C to Strong Angel arguments will be strengthened for retaining some of these invaluable antenna structures - far beyond the economic resources of our amateur radio community - to provide an ongoing international telemedicine communications resource. Further benefits would possibly include meeting, training, and disaster communications center with modest space requirements."

A Fond Farewell and A Merry Millennium!

This month marks the final "Propagation Conditions" column by Jacques d'Avignon, who's been preparing the charts for *Monitoring Times* since February 1992. We have valued Jacques' dedication to the hobby and to *MT*, not only through his column, but in his feature ar-

ticles on propagation, Radio France antennas, DXpeditions, product reviews, and as a speaker on propagation theory at nearly every *Monitoring Times* convention.

Information on propagation conditions is widely available from a number of sources, or using software. Jacques is a distributor for one such program, and will also do custom charts for anyone needing this service. Please see his ad on page 61. Meanwhile we'll ask Jacques to continue exploring the mystery of propagation for *MT* readers in periodic feature articles.

On another matter, we're delighted to report that the plastic magazine covers have been enormously successful in cutting down on loss and damage. Many of you who never asked for replacement magazine have also expressed your appreciation for the good condition in which *MT* has arrived. So, at this yuletide season our gift to you is to continue the plastic covers for the foreseeable future.

Thank you all for your support through the years. You've been generous with your sharing of information, your financial support, and your praise! *MT* wouldn't be here without the first two, and the praise makes our rewarding work even more so. Here's to many more years of merry monitoring times together in the new millennium!

- Rachel Baughn, Editor



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Radio Honor Roll

Amateur radio to the rescue

This past August, Larry Boston, 67, was fulfilling his dream of sailing solo from San Francisco to Hilo, Hawaii, in his 30-foot sailboat, but his plans went awry when a large wave hit the boat. Boston was slammed against the chart table, breaking four ribs. Boston activated his 406 MHz emergency beacon (EPIRB) which was picked up by the Search and Rescue satellite (SARSAT). The Coast Guard confirmed his location with Boston's wife and contacted a cargo ship in the area that was able to find and pick him up.

The first action he took, however, was to get on the radio where he found a ham who promised to contact the Coast Guard. "I am thankful to the amateur radio community who came through, as they always do," said Larry Boston.

Little Hero Award

The Pacific NorthWest REACT Council presented 11 year old Mikayla Whitley of Marysville, Washington, with a "Little Hero" Award and the REACT International "Distinguished Service" Award. REACT (Radio Emergency Associated Communications Teams) honored Mikayla for her quick actions and devoted efforts to get help by relaying information and directions to rescue workers who were trying to get to a injured hiker Michael Wyant who fell fell on the west ridge of Mt. Stuart in Chelan County. Assuming this story is true, that is a reception distance of 100 miles from an FRS radio with a two-mile reception limit and 532 different channel combinations!

UK Shortwaves still restricted

After a 16 year battle, the European Court of Human Rights has ruled that the UK government cannot be compelled to allow independent stations on shortwave because it did permit independent operators on the medium wave and FM bands. Under human rights law, the government can continue with its restrictive policy of refusing to allow independent stations on SW, but this now raises the separate question of whether the SW monopoly is legal under European Union competition law.

In 1984, Trevor Brook devised the concept of an independent science, technology and media news shortwave radio station, Radiofax. He made his first written application to the government for a license in August 1986. The government, however, persistently claimed there was a lack of spare capacity on the 993 shortwave channels and refused to issue any such license. This led him, in August 1997, to take the issue to the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg. In Trevor Brook's case before the

court he asserted that the government had used an untrue premise in order to operate a covert policy of restricting media access, to the detriment of the public and in breach of Article 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights... (Surrey Electronics via British DX Club, gh)

Vatican Radio goes to court

Three executives at Vatican Radio will be tried in Rome over its allegedly harmful electromagnetic pollution. The decision follows a magistrates' inquiry after the Vatican said that it was not answerable to Italian law. Assisted by lawyers, including Eugenio Pacelli, a nephew of Pope Pius XII, the Vatican said that there was no proof.

The inquiry began after it was shown that in a three mile radius of the station's antennae at Santa Maria di Galeria, Rome, the percentage of tumors and leukemia among the 30,000 inhabitants was well above average. Two Jesuits, Father Pasquale Borgomeo, the radio's director general, and Father Roberto Tucci, its president, with Constantino Pacifici, technical director, will be charged with "dangerous throwing of things" in the absence of a law on electromagnetic radiation (*Daily Telegraph via Mike Barraclough*, *gh*)

Motorola system to be dismantled

The state of Florida has decided to "privatize" the statewide police radio system it has been attempting to construct for more than 10 years and which is only 40 percent complete. In a surprise move, a plan to split the remaining work between Motorola and rival Com-Net Ericsson was scrapped in favor of awarding the entire contract to Ericsson.

The system has cost the state \$113 million. Splitting the work was estimated at \$700 million. The new contract pays Ericsson \$271 million dollars and runs for 20 years. Motorola is contesting the decision, questioning the bidding procedure, and trying to tie the case up in court.

Among Motorola's contentions is that the Ericsson radios will not be compliant with the APCO 25 standard. The need for interagency compatibility was high on the state's list following the Hurricane Georges and wildfire disasters.

Other communications system news

In Honolulu, HI, the police officers' union began an ad campaign to protest "dead spots" and unsafe conditions of the two-year-old Ericsson 800 MHz system. Designed for digital trunking, the system resorted to analog operation after 6 months.

Chester County, PA, police chiefs stated the county's E.F. Johnson system is a threat to officer and public safety and recommended agencies that still had the equipment return to the 150 MHz system and use the digital system only

as a back-up. Interference from cellular sites is given as one cause for the problems.

Orange County, CA, brought on some of its own problems when its 1994 bankruptcy forced the county to purchase an emergency system which couldn't guarantee reception inside buildings – not even inside the Irvine and Tustin police headquarters. Motorola has received praise by fire officials for effective follow-up to reported problems.

More scanners seized by customs

In another Legal Notice published by *The New York Times*, five persons were listed as having scanners or wide range receivers seized at the Chicago Customs Office in 1998 and 1999 for failure to meet the Wire Interception and Interception of Oral Communications Statute – these units included prohibited cellular reception.

Harassment by remote control

A retired couple in a wooded suburb of Detroit returned from vacation last summer to discover someone had disabled their security system. Then threatening notes and racial slurs began to appear on their television screen. The perpetrator used names of family members, pets, and neighbors. Channels changed at random



December 2: NWS Special Event

A National Weather Service Special Event (NWSSE) cosponsored with the ARRL will take place at National Weather Service offices across the country from 0000Z to 2400Z December 2nd, 2000 (24 Hours from Friday evening through Saturday). Modes utilized: Phone, RTTY, APRS, Satellite, CW, PSK-31 on 2, 6, 10, 15, 20, 40, 80 meters and 70 centimeters. Log all NWSSE contacts during event. No points, but special QSL Certificates will be obtainable. Please check http://www.nws.noaa.gov/event2000 for more details.

Dec 9-10: 28 MHz SWL Contest 2000

A DX challenge issued by French DXer Franck Parisot to listen to the most countries, US states and Canadian provinces on 10 meters. Contest open to all SWLs worldwide. 0000 UTC Dec 9 to 2359 UTC Dec 10 during the ARRL 10 meter contest. Prizes awarded by sponsors Grundig and Klingenfuss Publications. For rules and information email franckparisot@minitel.net or write F-124368, Franck Parisot, BP 6, 92173 Vanves Cedex, France

Dec 16: Special Event

S Maryland ARC and Charles County ARC will operate on Cobb Island, MD, to commemorate 100th anniversary of the first radio voice transmission by Aubrey Fessenden and Frank Very. QSL cards to SWLs as well as ham contacts. Visit http://www.qsl.net/smarc or write SMARC, PO Box 273, Cheltenham, MD 20623 or email Frank Carson N30CW <fcarson@ios.com > for details.

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or the TV came on at top volume during the night. The messages were typed on a keyboard used to select movies from the couple's DirecTV satellite system. During the Labor Day weekend the family taped more than 10 messages.

The local police turned the case over to the FBI. The FBI considers it a civil rights violation. The Smiths are black; one neighbor who was also threatened in the messages is a Mexican American.

Officials suspect someone is using a radiofrequency remote control to type the messages. A remote control could be used outside the house to enter words and change channels and volume levels on the Smith's televisions, said a DirecTv spokesman.

Voice of Palestine under fire

In retaliatory attacks on Palestinian government buildings in October, one of the first targets for Israeli rockets was the Voice of Palestine radio and television headquarters. As far as Israel is concerned, radio is a weapon which may have led to the lynching of three Israeli soldiers in Ramallah.

Radwan Abu Ayyash, chairman of the Palestinian Broadcasting Corp, says when he shows scenes of confrontation he just reports the news. "Look, when there's peace I'll broadcast that. But when they make war on us, that's what will be on the air. I'm not inventing all this."

Voice of Palestine programming was back on the air within hours, carried by private FM stations across the West Bank.

Cut out the turf battles, says Clinton

In an executive order, President Clinton told the Pentagon, Commerce Department, FCC and other agencies to work more cooperatively to free up spectrum space for sale to private companies for advanced wireless phones and mobile accessories. Most hotly contested are frequencies in the 1755-1850 MHz band, currently allocated for Air Force communications, intelligence gathering, and the GPS system.

No cellular tracking without court order

A Federal Court of Appeals has ruled that the government may not require cellular carriers to provide them with information that is "not authorized to be intercepted," and that such authorization must be "something more than a pen register order" which does not require proof of probable cause unlike a wiretap order. The ruling may also call into question the legality of Carnivore which scans the internet for target words or people. (See this month's *Washington Whispers* for more on Carnivore.)

Hispanic Pirate Gets Creative

La Nueva Radio Musical broadcast to the

New Haven, CT, Hispanic community for two years on 104.5 FM without a license, but was finally forced off the air by court order last April. Now they're back and they're legal!

In a deal worked out with Cox Radio, La Nueva is using WPLR's 92 kHz subcarrier. The signal, often used by reading services for the sight impaired, requires a special radio with a secondary audio channel. About 500 radios have already been sold to area residents by local Hispanic-owned stores.

In Memory of Gigi Lytle

The short, feisty redhead stood out at *Monitoring Times* conventions where females were already small in number; Gigi Lytle's name should also be familiar to anyone in shortwave DX circles. *Monitoring Times* regrets to report that Gigi (Gloria Gay) died of cancer at the age of 57 on Oct. 17, 2000, at her home in Lubbock, Texas

Gigi was a legal secretary, past volunteer for Civil Air Patrol and Girl Scouts, and an active member of the worldwide shortwave radio community. She won a trip to China in 1993 in a world radio contest.

Surviving are a son, two daughters, her mother, a brother, and her companion Tom McLaughlin. Upon hearing of her unexpected death, Skip Arey wrote, "In all my years in this hobby I have rarely met anyone as dedicated to shortwave monitoring."



Gigi with friends (from left); Gigi, Marie Lamb, Ed Newbury, Mike Schulsinger and Maryanne Kehoe

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Listening in on South America

By Dave White



he Carnival in Rio ... The Amazon jungle ... Challenging and interesting shortwave listening. Many readers might respond with the first two of these three when asked, "What comes to mind when you think of South America?" However, in spite of the fact that this large piece of real estate stretches from north of the equator to the icy waters of the Antarctic, South America is not often cited when the question is, "Where are your favorite DX targets?"

Although more stable and less volatile than developing countries in Africa, South American governments and residents are focused far more on internal problems than on broadcasting to the world. Virtually every country on the continent has some connection to illegal drugs, be it growing them, processing them, or transporting them. Economic and political uncertainty abound.

While you won't find much in the way of English language broadcasts, or external short-wave services in any language, South America does offer a wealth of interesting shortwave listening possibilities, with signals from the tropical bands all the way up to 11 meters. Even when you don't understand the language, there's nothing quite like hearing the fevered excitement of a soccer match, the sassy beat of tango music, or the exuberance of a local morning DJ in a village in the Andes.

Listening Tips

We all know that there are no absolutes in life other than death, taxes, and the certainty that there will be a static crash or deep fade just as a rare station gives an ID. You can be reasonably assured, however, that you won't have a wide

variety of languages to translate. With very few exceptions – Portuguese in Brazil, Dutch in Suriname, French in Guiana, English in Guyana – the predominant language throughout the continent is Spanish. Occasionally, you will hear some native dialects, but they tend to borrow heavily from the Spanish language and thus sound somewhat like it.

Time zones range from UTC-2 in eastern Brazil to UTC-5 in Colombia and Peru. Daylight Saving Time is observed between October and February in Chile, Paraguay and parts of Brazil, but that isn't a major factor since we're listening for stations, rather than scheduled programs. Of greater importance are your local sunrise and sunset times, and those at the target station.

For stations in the tropical bands below 6 MHz, the best times to listen are when both you and the station are in darkness. In practice, your best times to catch those stations will be from a few minutes before your local sunset until just after your local sunrise. Stations above 11 MHz can often be heard during your local daylight hours in the fall and winter.

Unless you speak the language, recording what you hear can be extremely useful in making a positive ID. It sometimes takes repeated listening to decipher the name of a town or station. Broadcasters in different South American countries often use the same frequencies, so World Radio TV Handbook and/or Passport To World Band Radio are very helpful in identifying what country you're hearing. For current information on stations that are being logged, monthly MT Global Forum columns by Glenn Hauser and Gayle Van Horn are invaluable.

Domestic stations tend not to worry too much about technical standards, including modulation level and operating frequency. It is almost certain that most stations will be operating somewhere near, though not precisely on, their published frequencies. Their audio levels can be so low that you can only detect a carrier, or so high that you can only hear distortion. Stations are also prone to starting up, shutting down, or moving to another town, all with little or no warning.

With all of this in mind, along with the standard conventions – times are UTC, frequencies are in kHz – let's listen in!

ARGENTINA

While other large South American countries boast dozens of shortwave stations, Argentina's can be counted on the fingers of one hand. Roughly 500 AM and FM stations serve local and regional areas, and what little shortwave activity that exists is limited primarily to the country's external service and simulcasts of various AM and FM stations directed to nearby Antarctica

Radiodifusión Argentina Al Exterior (RAE) is the country's easiest SW catch. RAE broad-



casts two hours of English each day, beamed to North America on 11710 from 0200-0300 and to Europe and Africa on 15345 from 1800-1900. In addition to those frequencies, 9690 is also used for broadcasts in French, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese and Spanish. On weekends, RAE carries programming of the Radio Nacional service, which at other times uses published frequencies of 3375, 4955, 5975 and 6060 at various, relatively low, power levels. Advance program information for RAE is virtually unheard of. The station does not currently operate a website, and the information that is released is generally confined to time/frequency/language information.

Other opportunities for Argentine DX offer a chance to sample the local "flavor," since they are simulcasts of Buenos Aires AM and FM stations. 15820 is an excellent frequency to monitor for a variety of stations using your receiver's sideband mode. Various local broadcast stations have been reported on both sidebands, sometimes at the same time. Other such "feeder" frequencies that have been logged recently include 7720, 8098, 13363, and 29810, all sideband.

BOLIVIA

The history of shortwave broadcasting in Bolivia is as wild and wooly as the country's political history. In fact, it was dissident tin miners rebelling against government repression who established some of the country's first shortwave stations. Church-sponsored stations also sprang up, first in opposition to the miners and what was perceived as the Communist threat they represented, later in support of the miners against the harsh military rule under which they lived. For years, on-the-air wars of words raged between and among these stations and the government's Radio Illimani. It was normal for station personnel to fortify their facilities and arm themselves against physical attacks.

Bolivia has no external shortwave service. Of the 75 or so licensed shortwave stations,



about 50 are currently active, and none broadcast in English. Most of these stations operate at power levels of 1kW or less, making them rare DX catches

Here's a list of Bolivian stations that have

been logged outside the continent in the recent

Nominal		
Frequency	Station	City
3310	Radio Mosoj Chaski	Cochabamba
3392	Radioemisoras Camargo	Camargo
4472	Radio Movima	Santa Ana
4552	Radiodifusoras Tropico	Trinidad
4649	Radio Santa Ana	Santa Ana
4682	Radio Paititi	Guayaramerìn
4702	Radio Eco	San Borja
4717	Radio Yura	Yura
4795	Radio Mallku	Uyuni
4845	Radio Fides	La Paz
4855	Radio Centenario	Santa Cruz
4875	Radio La Cruz del Sur	La Paz
4926	Radio San Miguel	Riberalta
4945	Radio Illimani	La Paz
5927	Radiodifusoras Mineria	Oruro
5952	Radio Pio Doce	Siglo Viente
6025	Radio Illimani	La Paz
6055	Radio Juan XXIII	Santa Cruz
6105	Radio Panamericana	La Paz
6135	Radio Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz

BRAZIL

The single greatest influence on shortwave radio in Brazil is the country's sheer physical size. Stated simply, it is immense. It is as large as the continental U.S., the fifth largest country in the world, occupying nearly half of the continent and bordering all but two of South America's other countries. Distances between one point and another even in the same general region of the country make shortwave the most practical, and often the only means of communicating.



Quite unlike other countries in which most tropical band stations transmit with a kilowatt or less, most of Brazil's domestic stations operate at 5-to-10 kw. Another difference is that a number of regional Brazilians use the higher frequency bands (6-26 MHz). On the downside, this pits them against higher-powered international broadcasters on those bands. On the plus side, propagation tends to be better, at more times of day, than on the tropical bands. Couple all of this with the fact that there are something in the

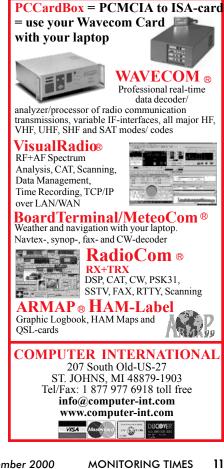
neighborhood of 130 active shortwave stations on the air, and you have a potential radio feast.

It is quite common for two or more Brazilians to operate on the same frequency at the same time. They are far enough apart not to interfere with one another in their intended coverage areas, much like the AM and FM bands, where many stations, sufficiently far apart, can occupy the same frequency. The challenge for the DXer is to be able to copy well enough and long enough to positively ID which of the possible stations is being heard.

Many Brazilian stations operate on more than one frequency. So, you can often verify a station's identity by checking these parallel frequencies to see if the same program is being broadcast.

Radio Nacional do Brasil, the country's external shortwave service, has lately been the subject of in-fighting over which governmental agency should control it. The unfortunate result is that English service to North America and Europe was abruptly halted in the summer of 1999. At one time, five Radiobrás 250 kW transmitters broadcast in several languages and could be heard virtually everywhere in the world. The domestic service in Portuguese is a relatively easy catch via Radio Nacional de Amazônia from Brasília on 11780.

Among the Brazilian stations that have been reported recently outside South America:



Nominal		
Frequency	Station	City
2380	Rádio Educadora	Limeira
2460	Rádio Alvorada	Rio Branco
4755	Rádio Educação Rural	Campo Grande
4775	Rádio Liberal	Relém
4775	Rádio Caiari	Porto Velho
4805	R. Difusora do Amazonia	Manaus
4815	Radio Difusora	Munuus Londrina
4825		Cachoeira Paulista
	Rádio Canção Nova Rádio Educadora	
4825 4845	Rádio Cultura	Bragança
	R Difusora Roraima	Manaus Roa Vista
4875	na birosora noranna	200 11010
4885	Rádio Clube do Pará	Belém
4895	Rádio Campo Grande	Campo Grande
4905	Rádio Anhanguera	Araguaina
4905	Rádio Nova Relogio	Rio de Janeiro
4915	Rádio Anhanguera	Goiânia
4915	Rádio Nacional	Macapá
4955	Rádio Clube	Rondonópolis
4956	Rádio Cultura de Campos	Campos
6040	Rádio Clube Paranaense	Curitiba
6060	Rádio Tupi	Curitiba
6090	Rádio Bandeirantes	São Paulo
6135	Rádio Aparecida	Aparecida
6180	R. Nacional da Amazônia	Brasília
9505	Rádio Record	São Paulo
9515	Rádio Novas de Paz	Curitiba
9530	Rádio Nova Visão	Santa Maria
9565	Rádio Tupi	Curitiba
9585	Rádio Globo	São Paulo
9615	Rádio Cultura	São Paulo
9630	Rádio Aparecida	Aparecida
9645	Rádio Bandeirantes	São Paulo
9665	Rádio Marumby	Florianópolis
9695	Rádio Rio Mar	Manaus
11725	Rádio Novas de Paz	Curitiba
11804	Rádio Globo	Rio de Janeiro
11815	Rádio Brasil Central	Goiânia
11830	Rádio Anhanguera	Goiânia
11925	Rádio Bandeirantes	São Paulo

CHILE

This country is a study in contrasts. There are areas in its northern desert that have never recorded a single drop of rain, while its southern tip, just a few hundred miles from Antarctica, is windy, wet and cold. Its northern and southern borders are nearly 3,000 miles apart, but at its widest point the country is barely over 200 miles wide.

In contrast to other South American countries, Chile's economy includes a manufacturing base, in addition to mining and agriculture. As a result, it is one of the more affluent, urbanized countries on the continent. With most of the population concentrated in metropolitan areas in the central part of the country, most Chileans are well within range of local AM, FM and TV signals.

With no need to reach far-flung residents or throw signals across the towering Andes mountains, government and commercial interests have



little interest in shortwave. With a fairly stable democratic government, there hasn't been much need for clandestine opposition stations either.

Like most of its neighbors, Chile has no external shortwave service. Unfortunately, it has virtually no domestic shortwave broadcasters either.

There is only one powerful shortwave signal coming from Chile, belonging to Radio Voz Cristiana in Santiago. Although primarily targeting Central and South America, its signals are regularly heard throughout most of the world.

Here is the latest schedule for Radio Voz Cristiana:

TimesFreq.	
0000 - 1400	15375
0100 - 1300	11690
1100 - 2100	21500
1200 - 2200	9635
1300 - 0100	21550
1400 - 0000	17680
2100 - 1100	11745
2200 - 1200	6070

Reports of Chile's other active domestic shortwave stations are rare. Two of the more powerful, Radio Esperanza in Temuco on 6090, and Radio Santa Maria in Coyhaique on 6030 both operate with only 10kW on frequencies that are populated by high-powered competition from the likes of Caribbean Beacon and Radio Martì during the prime nighttime hours.

COLOMBIA

Drug cartels and guerilla uprisings are the most visible features of the South American country that is located the closest to North America. A U.S. State Department alert warns that there is a greater risk of being kidnapped in Colombia than anywhere else in the world.

Now emerging from an economic recession that resulted in a 20% unemployment rate, Colombians are much more focused on their internal problems than on reaching the rest of the world on shortwave. There is no external shortwave service, and the number of active domes-

tic shortwave stations has steadily declined in the last few years.

Radio Difusora Nacional in Bogotá has been heard recently on 4955, 9635 and 9685 between 2030 and 0200.

Simulcasts of various FM stations have been heard on 4895. Try here starting at 0000.

Caracol Villavicencio on 5955 is logged occasionally around 0930. The city of Villavicencio, in central Colombia, is also represented by La Voz del Llano, on or near its nominal frequency of 6117. Listen between 2100 and 0000.

Clandestine La Voz de la Resistencia has been heard around 1100 on 6261 and around 1300 on 6240. The station is operated by the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia-Peoples Army (FARC-EP).

ECUADOR

One of the smaller South American countries, Ecuador is also one of the most geographically diverse, with jungles, rainforests, volcanic mountain ranges, and about 12-million people all packed into an area about the size of Nevada. A relatively stable and peaceful country, the main source of controversy is a longstanding border dispute with Peru.

Many DXers (the author included) count "The Voice of the Andes," HCJB, among their first shortwave loggings. With a rich variety of programming, the station remains a favorite among SWLs. One of the most enjoyable ways to learn about the country's cultural diversity is to spend a few hours listening to HCJB's programs about Ecuador. The station can be heard virtually 24 hours a day, virtually anywhere on the globe. Check the *Shortwave Guide* section of *MT* for current schedules and frequencies.

Like its neighbor, Colombia, Ecuador has seen a steep decline in the number of active domestic shortwave stations over the years. Happily, though, a fair number of them operate at comparatively high power (up to 10 kW), and, being located in the northern part of the continent, they are fairly easy to hear in North America.

Nominal		
Frequency	Station	City
3280	La Voz del Napo	Tena
4780-4802	Radio Oriental	Tena
4919	Radio Quito	Quito
4950	Radio Bahá'i	Otavalo
4960	Radio Federación	Sucúa
5040	La Voz del Upano	Macas
5060	Radio Progreso	Loja
5980	Radio Federación	Sucúa

FRENCH GUIANA

The infamous Devil's Island, now a tourist attraction, was once one of the most notorious



of the French penal colonies that were located here up until the early 1950s. The penal colonies have been replaced with the European Space Agency's launch facilities, and shortwave transmitters used to relay programs from major European and Asian broadcasters.

Guiana is South America's only Frenchspeaking country. Technically an "overseas department" of France, most of its interior is dense rainforest, so most Guianese live along the coastline at the northern end of the country.

The country's only domestic shortwave station, Radiodiffusion Francaise D'Outre-Mer (R.F.O.) Guyane in Cayenne operates 24 hours a day in French on 5055. Its 10 kW signal is rarely heard overseas.

Radio France International has a significant presence in French Guiana, transmitting on more than 50 frequencies in various European and Arabic languages to Europe, Africa, the Middle East and the Americas. RFE also leases its transmitters to several other international broadcasters.

China Radio International targets the Americas with hour-long broadcasts daily in Spanish at 0200 on 13685, in Mandarin at 0300 on 9720, and in English at 0400 on 9730. Between 1800 and 2200, CRI beams various European language broadcasts to Europe and Scandinavia on 6150, 7305, and 9535.

All of Radio Japan's broadcasts from Montsinéry are beamed to various parts of South America, in Spanish, Portuguese and Japanese. Check 9660 from 0300-0430, 11895 at 0500 and 2200, 15590 from 0230-0300 and 1000-1100, and 21600 at 1700.

Swiss Radio International targets Central and North America with a mixture of English, German, Spanish, French, and Italian daily from 0030-0500 on 9905. SRI beams the same language mix to Australia and New Zealand from 0830-1030 on 9885, to South America from 2200-0000 on 11905, and to Africa on 13710 from 2000-2130.

GUYANA

Guyana has the distinction of being the only country on the continent where English is the official language. Known as British Guiana until it gained independence in 1966, Guyana is a microcosm of the tropics, featuring lush rainforests, spectacular waterfalls and a savanna that is home to all manner of wildlife.

The country is in a period of economic recovery, but still has chronic problems with its basic infrastructure. It suffers from chronic labor shortages, inadequate transportation systems, and shortages of electricity.

The only shortwave facility in the country, Voice of Guyana with 5 kW on 3290 is not the easiest logging, but it has been reported with some regularity around 0400.

PARAGUAY

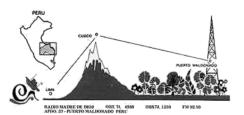
Journalist P.J. O'Rourke once wrote, "Paraguay is nowhere and famous for nothing." O'Rourke later visited and became enamored of the country and its people, but there's no shame in admitting that you don't know much about Paraguay. Neither does the rest of the world. Even its closest neighbors consider it to be something of an enigma. Landlocked deep in South America's center, the country's geographic isolation has been compounded by its political and economic separatism.

Paraguay suffers from the political uncertainty, government corruption, weak economy, and lack of shortwave activity that are common in South America. Radio Nacional del Paraguay offers the only real chance for a logging. Its published frequency is 9735, although it is regularly logged around 9737, where it is often subject to interference from BBC on 9740. Only five other shortwave stations are licensed, but their flea powered signals are either inactive, or operate so irregularly, that hearing them is virtually impossible outside the country's borders.

PERU

Majestic mountains, ancient Incan ruins and the Amazon River basin make up the typical picture of South America's third-largest country. For many SWLs, Peru is a favorite DX target due to its colorful and constantly changing radio landscape.

Government and commercial interests embraced shortwave radio early on in Peru, first in the larger population centers, but later in much greater numbers in small towns and isolated villages where it often served as a means of passing messages between individuals in areas where telephones were nonexistent.



Shortwave radio in Peru is nearly as competitive as commercial FM and AM radio elsewhere in the world. Given unreliable power grids and scarce replacement parts, starting and operating a shortwave station is not cheap. Add the effect of frequent political turbulence and its easy to see why stations come and go in large numbers.

Because not all Peruvian shortwave stations are licensed and transmitters that start out in one town may wind up moving to one or more others, it's impossible to say exactly how many shortwave stations there are in the country. World Radio TV Handbook lists about 200. The CIA World Factbook says there are 129. The most educated estimates are that at any given time, about 100 stations are actually on the air, about 35 of which have recently been heard with some regularity outside South America. A great many of these operate at 1 kW or less, and often operate outside the recognized shortwave broadcast bands, where reception is greatly affected by much stronger signals from the utility stations that are licensed to use the frequencies in question.

Here are some recently reported Peruvian loggings:

Nominal		
Frequency	Station	City
3250	Radio Comas	Lima
3340	Radio Altura	Cerro de Pasco
4419	Radio Bambamarca	Bambamarca
4460	Radio Norandina	Celendin
4515	Radio Amistad	Lima
4534	Radio Horizonte	Chiclayo
4748	Radio Huanta 2000	Huanta
4775	Radio Tarma	Tarma
4826	Radio Sicuani	Sicuani
4855	Radio La Hora	Cusco
4904	Radio La Oroya	La Oroya
4914	Radio CORA	Lima



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5236	Radio Apurimac	Abancay
5300	Radio Superior	Bolívar
5460	Radio Bolívar	Bolívar
5470	Radio San Nicolás	Rodríguez Mendoza
5640	Radio Perú	San Ignacio
5678	Radio Ilucán	Cutervo
5855	Radio Univision	Moyabamba
6045	Radio Santa Rosa	Lima
6115	Radio Unión	Lima
6174	Radio Tawantinsuyo	Cusco
6195	Radio Cusco	Cusco
6479	Radio Altura	Huarmaca
6520	Radio Paucartambo	Paucartambo
6535	R. Difusora Huancabamba	Huancabamba
6674	R. Super Nueva Sensación	Huancabamba
6797	Radio Ondas del Rio Mayo	Nueva Cajamarca

SURINAME

Huarmaca

R La Voz del Campesino

One of the continent's smallest countries, Suriname is also one of the most culturally diverse, its residents descending from the original Amerindian residents, the Dutch who colo-



nized it, and slaves and indentured servants brought in from Africa, India and Indonesia.

Like so many other South American countries, Suriname is primarily dense tropical rainforest, so most of its inhabitants are concentrated along the Atlantic coast. Given this distribution of the population, there isn't much need for shortwave radio when virtually all the residents are within range of local AM and FM signals.

Accordingly, Suriname is one of the most difficult loggings around. Its only shortwave station, Radio Apintie is rarely logged outside the country. It operates with just 350 watts of power on 4991 and 5005, both frequencies that are home to more powerful South American stations as well.

URUGUAY

What sets Uruguay apart from other South American countries is its relatively high standard of living, and economic and political stability. Its residents are well educated, and its telecommunications systems among the most advanced on the continent. While other countries in the region feature geographic extremes, Uruguay is primarily made up of rolling hills, with a warm, temperate climate.



There is no external shortwave service and relatively few domestic stations, most running 2.5 kW or less. Stations occasionally reported outside Uruguay include SODRE (Servicio Oficial de Difusión, Radiotelevisión y Espectáculos) Montivideo on 6125 and 9620, Radio Monte Carlo on 6140 and 9595, and Emisora Ciudad de Montevideo on 9650, at 10 kW, the country's highest-powered SW station.

VENEZUELA

Part mountain, part jungle, part white sandy beaches, Venezuela boasts the world's highest waterfall, South America's largest lake, and a huge variety of exotic plant and animal life. In spite of that rosy exterior, two-thirds of the country's residents live below the poverty level, and drug abuse is a growing problem. The country is heavily dependent on its oil industry, with its volatile price fluctuations.

Its location on the northern coast should make the country an easy shortwave catch in nearby North America, but there are few stations, their power outputs are low, and their frequencies are in some of the most congested areas of the shortwave broadcast spectrum. Thus, Venezuelan loggings tend to be few and far between.

While it is strictly accurate to say that Venezuela has one of the continent's few external shortwave services, in practice it operates at 50 kW or less and is rarely heard outside the country. For the record, Radio Nacional de Venezuela on 9540 broadcasts an hour of Spanish to the Americas each day at 1800, with repeats at 2100, 0000, 0300, 1100 and 1400.



There are about a dozen domestic stations, only three of which have recently been reported outside of Venezuela: Radio Táchira in San Cristóbal on 4830, Radio Amazonas in Puerto Ayacucho on 4939, and Ecos del Torbes in San Cristóbal on 4980.

Want More?

Veteran DXer Don Moore has written numerous articles about South American broadcasting, based on his extensive research and travel in the area. Read more at http://ns4.swl.net/patepluma. You'll also find links to some other outstanding sites dedicated to Latin American DX.

Like life's other pursuits, listening in on South America gets easier with practice. The more you listen, the more you'll get used to Spanish and Portuguese, and the more you get used to them, the more you'll begin to understand key words and phrases. As your knowledge base grows, you'll begin to learn how to associate various musical forms with their native regions.

Whether your listening is casual or serious, *feliz el escuchar* - happy listening!

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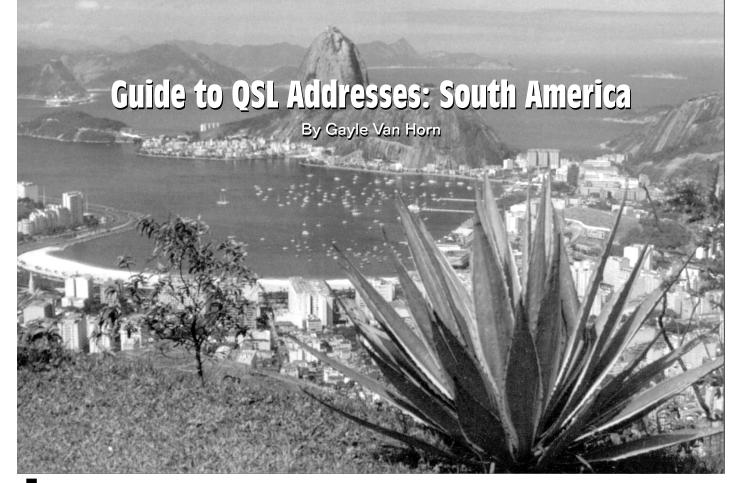
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ust about the time you *think* you understand the idiosyncracies of QSLing, and proudly boast your verifications from Nepal and Zanzibar ...you decide to begin your southern trek into South America.

It is safe to say each country offers a unique sound, a mood, and an experience. For most of us who enjoy tuning to this region, the lively sounds of sambas take us to the streets of Rio De Janeiro for Carnival, and for pure escapism the intoxicating music of Bolivia's charango.

As a DXer, it is hard to imagine there is much to add to the topic of QSLing, that would offer a distinctive perspective from our directories of Asia and Africa. (Monitoring Times Sept. & Oct. 2000). However, a few additional observations may be indicative.

Let's begin with the dichotomy of QSLing South American stations. For the most part, the majority of them could get along fine without our reports, since they are usually interested in their local or national audiences. However, many are equally impressed with a letter from anyone, thousands of miles away, who persevered amid the signal static to write them at his or her own expense! Often such reports are displayed in notebook binders and on studio walls, while one enterprising Peruvian station constructed a display case to showcase their souvenirs from listeners. These are usually the stations that respond with hand painted or gold tasseled pennants and a friendly letter.

Unfortunately, there are stations who could care less and throw hobbyist letters away. One such example comes from a DXer who visited

a station's washroom and discovered old letters being used as paper towels, as well as toilet paper. That might explain your lack of a reply!

The complexities of why the Latins do not respond begin with the reception report. Unless they have an English program segment, letters should be written in Spanish or Portuguese for Brazilian stations. Online language translations services and software (QSL Report, *Monitoring Times*, August 2000) have been a linguistic god-send

Too many DXers write a "gimmie" report ... a brief, direct request such as, "I heard your station, please verify my report with your QSL card." This approach would be considered rude to those of South American heritage, who pride themselves on cultural values and politeness.

Instead, preface your request with a chatty personal letter about yourself, your family, the listening post or occupation, closing with a friendly request, "if at all possible, I would be very grateful to receive a letter from your station verifying that my report is correct." It is also useful to include a small gift, a picture postcard or two, bumper stickers, a picture of yourself or tourist brochures.

A prepared card QSL should be included with every report. This card, along with your report, contains the date, frequency, time and station name, and can be prepared and printed with your computer. Hopefully, someone on the staff will sign your card and stamp it with the station seal (if they can afford one!) and return it to you. You should enclose a self-addressed envelope or a personal address label to assist

smaller stations operating on a shoestring budget.

Despite what you have read or debated, the recommendation of using International Reply Coupons is a total waste of your money. Exchanging IRCs for postage stamps is nearly impossible in every country. Usually, they can only be exchanged in main post offices in the capital city, or with an official form which must be filled out first – useless for a broadcaster in a Bolivian village in the Andes.

Mint (unused) stamps from the country you're reporting to is your best and most successful alternative. Buying only a few stamps at a time is recommended, due to the risk of their becoming worthless overnight due to fluctuating currency devaluation. For this reason, I do not recommend you "stock up."

For a current price list, we always recommend Bill Plum's DX Service, 12 Glenn Road, Flemington, NJ 08822 USA. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope with your request.

Should you enclose currency? It does appear to be increasing in popularity. For the American DXer, currency is easily obtainable at a fixed value, and it is certainly convenient for the station. However I continue to disagree with many hobbyists who use them despite reported postal theft.

Ready for your trek to South America? Perhaps, armed with some new perspectives, your return rate could surprise you. There will always be those flea watt Peruvians who ignore your letter, but don't despair, the Bolivian from La Paz may be in your mailbox today!

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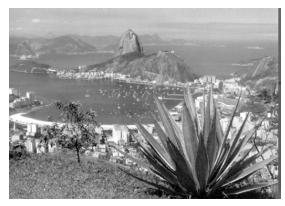
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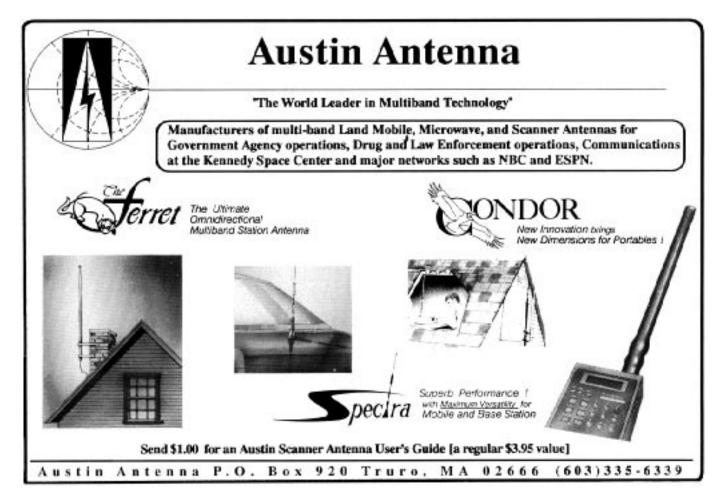


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San Francisco's Radio Heritage

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istorians still disagree about which was the first radio station to broadcast regularly scheduled programs in the United States. KDKA, Pittsburgh, usually gets the honor for going on the air November 2, 1920. Others say it was WGI, Boston, reportedly started eight months earlier, in March.

But knowledgeable folks in the San Francisco bay area scoff at those claims. They know that it was in San Jose - 90 miles south and considered even then to be a part of San Francisco's sphere – that the nation's first broadcast was transmitted, in 1909.

That year was ripe with innovation. Perry reached the North Pole. The first transcontinental flight was made. Sikorsky developed the he-

licopter. The Boy Scouts of America was incorporated. New Mexico was admitted as the 47th state, Arizona as the 48th. Parcel post service started. Ford introduced the Model T. The Radio Club of America began. The first SOS by radio was sent by an American ship.

And in San Jose, Dr. Charles David Herrold - called "Doc," of course - established the Herrold College of Engineering and Wire-

That school soon began broadcasting occasional tests of electronic gear developed by faculty and students. Listeners hearing those signals phoned the college to report their reception and ask when the station would be on the air again.

A student at the school, Ray Newby, then 16 years old, Herrold's assistant from 1908 until 1923, said, "It was not long until we got into a pre-arranged scheduled so that we would have listeners that could report to us."

The resulting schedule - halfhour broadcasts at 9pm Wednesdays

- became "almost a religion with Professor Herrold," according to Newby.

Documentation

The case for Doc's station being the first to broadcast on a schedule was endorsed on a 1994 PBS documentary by wireless historian Bart Lee, who said, "There's no question about that. He was first.'

On that same program, Gordon Greb, Herrold researcher, said he interviewed Lee De Forest in 1959 and asked, "Do you believe that Herrold's station deserves credit to be the world's first broadcasting station?" De Forest's reply, "I sure do."

By 1910 the station had expanded its broad-

casting from transmitting brief, simple test messages, to airing musical recordings played on a phonograph. News was added by reading articles from local newspapers.

Doc's wife, Sybil, was one of the on-air voices. That made her, she later claimed, "the first woman to ever broadcast a program.'

One of her shows, "Little Ham Program," featured records she borrowed from a local music store, Sherman Clay. Grandson Stephen True said the store "loved it because the next day they would sell out of whatever she would play over the radio." Thus the power of what would become radio advertising was documented early.

Sybil also introduced the first contests for radio listeners. She announced there would be

> prizes awarded each week to folks who came to the station to report hearing the transmissions. Often the prizes were little pieces of galena, so small they were usually handled with tweezers. Galena was lead ore, needed in crystal sets, the first widelyused radio receivers.

Before stations had call signs, Doc identified his station by announcing, "This is San Jose calling." Soon the government required stations to use call letters, and allowed stations to select their own calls. Doc picked "FN," later changed to "SJN." In 1920, the Commerce Department began issuing licenses for broadcast stations and on December 9, 1921, Doc's station received the call sign KQW.

In 1937, KQW joined the just-established Mutual-Don Lee Network; that association ended in 1941. In 1949, the Columbia Broad-



The cast of San Francisco's based early soap opera, "One Man's Family." First broadcast on Friday, April 29, 1932, it continued for 27 years, until May 8, 1959; aired nationally for much of that time. The dress was typical of actors and actresses in the early days of radio; announcers often wore tuxedos, even when there were no studio audiences.



Carleton E. Morse, reviewing bound copies of some of the scripts he wrote for such programs as "One Man's Family" and "I Love a Mystery." "I Love Adventure," "Adventures by Morse," and "NBC Mystery Serial." Morse died May 24, 1993, in Sacramento, CA, at age

casting System bought KQW, changed its call to KCBS, and the station was established as a major outlet in San Francisco.

In 1968, KCBS began broadcasting news only. Today it continues to be the primary radio news source for millions of listeners daily.

Broadcasting Grows

But back in the early 1920s in San Francisco, other radio stations were also going on the air.

Famed electronics inventor Lee De Forest started 6XC, later known as KZY. His station went on the air in May 1920, six months before KDKA, that station so widely believed to be the first. De Forest's station featured three half-hour concerts a day. Music was by a theater organist and by Hermann Heller's Symphony Orchestra.

Another pioneering San Francisco station, KDN, started broadcasting in June 1921, as 6XG. It was one of the first of several radio stations that transmitted from the Fairmont Hotel, ideal for broadcasting because of its location atop of San Francisco's Nob Hill. Former ship's radio officer Alan Cormack was hired to be the on-air personality. He played music on an old wind-up phonograph that had to be rewound frequently.

Another early radio station in San Francisco was KPO, started by former Navy radioman Joe Martineau. He convinced the owners of Hale Brothers Department Store – Francis, Marshall,

and Reuben – to install a station in that store and let him operate it. The first program was on the air on April 17, 1922.

In 1924, KFRC began broadcasting with an exceptionally strong signal, heard on the East coast, Hawaii, Alaska, even New Zealand. Yet its transmitter was considered "relatively low-powered" and its antennas only modest. Engineers studied the phenomenon, could not agree on why the signal was so powerful, but decided that perhaps the building which housed the station, the Whitcomb Hotel, might have been situated on land that was an ideal ground – that is, connection with the earth.

One of KFRC's announcers, Dean Maddox – also known as "Buddha" – became my idol. One day I watched him present one of his many man-on-the-street interviews. Afterwards, I asked him for an autograph. I was but a child and had no paper or pen with me. He smiled broadly, signed the script for a commercial he'd just delivered, and gave it to me.

KFRC aired many performers who became famous, including Don Wilson, well-known later as Jack Benny's announcer. Other voices heard in the early days of that station were Morey Amsterdam, Ben Benederet – well-known female announcer – Ralph Edwards, Merv Griffin, Art Linkletter, John Nesbitt, and Harold Peary.

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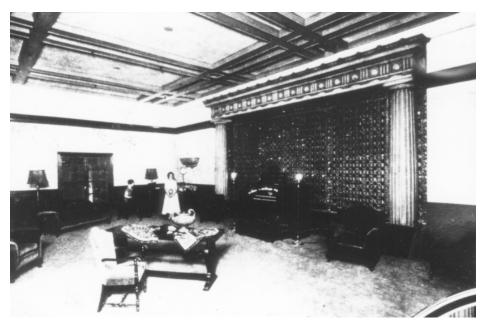
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KPO called this "The Grand Studio," claimed it was "large enough to hold a 90-piece orchestra." This photo was probably taken in 1925, when the station moved into new facilities – ten rooms in Hale Brother's Department Store. Sometime in the next decade rugs were hung from the walls to help sound control.

More New Stations

Radio grew fast in the 1920s. Some stations were on the air for but a few months, then folded. By 1929 eleven radio stations and their spots on

Ernie Smith, long-time sportscaster for KPO, wrote in his memoirs, "I broadcast the first baseball game on the Pacific Coast from a make-shift aerie perched in the rafters of Kezar Pavilion," a prominent San Francisco playing field. Earlier Smith had been a Pacific Coast swimming champion for five years and won a national water polo title in 1920.

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KRE - 1304	KGTT - 1420	

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Mystery Hour	Studio Concert	Night Owls

Big Time

San Francisco soon joined New York, Chicago, and Los Angeles as one of the nation's leading centers of radio programming. San Francisco's major hit program was *One Man's Family*.

That series started on Friday, April 29, 1932, a half-hour program aired at 9:30pm PST; it became the longest-running radio drama in history – continuing for 27 years, until May 8, 1959. Written by Carleton E. Morse, the show included 35 characters of the fictional aristocratic San Francisco family, the Barbours. In the story, they lived in the prestigious Sea Cliff area of San Francisco. One actor, Anthony Smythe, played the father, Henry Barbour, throughout the entire series.

The success of that show sparked Carleton E. Morse to write the spin-off program, *I Love a Mystery* – billed as a new "adventure thriller." A newspaper guide to radio programs of those days claimed the series presented "hair-raising, teeth-chattering thrillers that have all America on the edge of its chair!!!"

First aired in January 1939, on NBC's Pacific Coast stations, by 1940 it was a nation-

wide sensation. Many of the actors in Morse's *One Man's Family* show also appeared in this new mystery. From it came three movies, a comic strip, and a TV series pilot.

Famed Actor

Jack Webb was another nationally-famous radio personality with a San Francisco broadcasting heritage. He began there as a radio announcer. After he was well-known, he told interviewers, "My early radio career (in San Francisco) was as romantic as playing post office in an old maids' club. I got to the station every day at 4:30am, pushed a button and said, 'And now back to New York.'"

Webb's next step to fame was playing the title role in the radio drama *Pat Novak for Hire*. Created by San Francisco writer Dick Breen, it cast Webb as a wise-cracking detective. The series was broadcast in San Francisco for 23 weeks, then moved to Hollywood. There, Webb said later, "I was everybody's hot cake."



Paul Carson, organist, played the theme, "Destiny Waltz," for the San Francisco radio series "One Man's Family." Known as "The Musing Organist," he played on many other broadcasts. His own long-running radio series of organ music was called "The Bridge to Dreamland." He started his musical career at age five, paying hymns on a small reed organ.

Before long he was starring in TV's *Dragnet* – a show that grew out of his previous detective series. Even today, more than a half-century later, *Dragnet* is rerun on many stations. Webb also went on to star in many other radio and TV shows and in feature films.

Today, there are 38 radio stations on the air in San Francisco, plus numerous other stations in the many towns in the bay area. Such a radio heritage helps document San Francisco's claim as "The city that knows how!"



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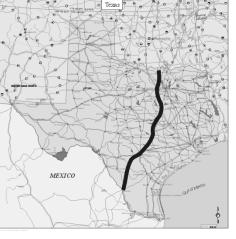
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Roadtrip: Scanning Interstate-35

By John Mayson

It's probably safe to say all of us have found ourselves on a lengthy road trip. We pack up the car, truck, or van and set off on the open road to visit relatives, national monuments, and amusement parks.

We eagerly await the green light that'll allow us to make that left turn onto the interstate and finally start our journey. However our initial excitement is always tempered by bad weather, heavy traffic, accidents, or even sheer boredom. Many of us bring scanners along to help break up the monotony of the drive and give a little insight into our surroundings.

Before modern radio systems swept the nation we could use the "service scan" feature on our scanners. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) allocated certain frequencies to various functions such as fire fighting, law enforcement, business, towing services, etc. Scanner manufacturers would have a preset button allowing the listener to scan all fire or police frequencies. Often we didn't know exactly where what we were hearing was taking place, but sometimes could figure it out. Sometimes.

Today we're seeing more and more radio systems that do not lend themselves to service scanning. These include trunking and 800 MHz conventional, plus we're seeing spectrum reallocations and 12.5 kHz spacing on the VHF bands.

Have you ever been driving down the highway and seen a police car zip down the road in the other direction? Have you tried, while driving at 70 mph, to tune around hoping to hear what's happening? Was that a local cop? A sheriff's deputy? State police or highway patrol? If you're not familiar with the liveries of the local patrol cars or the setup of the local radio systems, you're probably out of luck.

You're back in luck!

This is the first article in what I hope will be a periodic feature in Monitoring Times. We will profile a major corridor of our highway system, focusing mainly on well-traveled interstates. In addition to frequency and talkgroup information, we will offer tips for programming your scanner ahead of time for maximum enjoyment on the road.

Since this series is targeted to highway drivers, the focus will be on the towns, cities, counties, and parishes through which interstates pass. In busy metropolitan areas we will list only the most common dispatch, tactical, and traffic frequencies and talkgroups. Readers will be directed to a web site or other publication for a more thorough description of metropolitan areas.

1-35 in Texas

I'm kicking this off by profiling an interstate highway here in my own backyard, I-35 in Texas. It starts in Laredo about half-a-mile from the border with Mexico. It passes through San Antonio, Austin, Waco, the Dallas/Fort Worth area, then on into Oklahoma. This stretch of I-35 is part of the so-called NAFTA Highway that connects Canada, the United States, and Mexico. Laredo and its cross-river Mexican counterpart Nuevo Laredo are both major ports of entry for goods moving between our two countries.

WEBB COUNTY

Laredo is the principal city in Webb County and serves as the county seat.

Webb County Sheriff's Office

Ch	Output	Input	Comments
1	155.700	154.680	Dispatch
2	154.785	simplex	Talk

Laredo Police Department

155.250, 155.655, 155.850

Laredo Fire Department

154.445	154.130	Dispatch
154.190		

LA SALLE COUNTY

La Salle County Sheriff's Office

Lu Julio	County Shorin	3 01110	
155.565	154.830	186.2	Dispatch

FRIO COUNTY

Frio County Sheriff's Office

155.685	154.800	203.5	Dispatch

Pearsall Police Department

154.965 simplex

MEDINA COUNTY

Meding County Sheriff's Office

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155 640	154 755	203 5	Dispatch

ATASCOSA COUNTY

Atascosa County Sheriff's Office

155.730	154.770	203.5	Dispatch
155.670	Simplex		Talk

Atascosa County& Lytle Fire Department

153.950 simplex

BEXAR COUNTY

Bexar County is home to a building you will always remember. It's called the Alamo. San Antonio is the county seat of Bexar County and one of the largest cities in the nation. At press time, Bexar County still uses their Motorola Type I TRS (trunked radio system), but they are building an EDACS digital system that Bexar County, San Antonio and other cities will use.

Motorola Type I Analog s13, s12, s12856.2625, 856.4625, 856.7625, 856.9625, 857.2625, 857.4625, 857.7625, 857.9625, 858.2625, 858.4625, 858.7625, 858.9625, 859.2625, 859.4625, 859.7625, 859.9625, 860.2625, 860.4625, 860.7625, 860.9625 MHz

Rever County Sheriff's Office

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500-1	1A	East Patrol
500-2	1B	West Patrol
500-3	10	Information
1D		
1E		
1F		
1G		
2A		
2B	Prisone	er Transport
20	Auto Tl	heft Task Force
2D		
2E		
2F		
2G		
2H		

ΖП
San Antonio Police
000-1 North Patrol
000-3 West Patrol
000-5 South Patrol
000-6 East Patrol
000-7 Central Patrol
000-8 Traffic Patrol
000-9 Information
000-2 1 Bravo
000-4 1 Delta
000-10 1 Juliet
000-11 1 Kilo
000-12 1 Lima
000-13 1 Mary
000-14 1 November
000-15 1 Oscar
600-1 4 Alpha (Homicide)
600-2 4 Bravo (Vice)
600-3 4 Charlie (Auto Theft)
600-4 4 Delta (Detectives)
600-5 4 Echo (Rape)

600-6 4 Foxtrot

600-7 4 Gulf (K9/SWAT) 600-8 4 Hotel 600-9 4 India 600-10 4 Juliet (Ganas) 600-11 4 Kilo (Academy) 600-12 4 Lima 600-12 4 Mary 600-13 Park Rangers

San Antonio Fire/EMS

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400-1 1A	Fire Dispatch	
400-2 1B	Fireground Op	OS
400-3 1C	Fireground	
400-41D	Fireground	
400-5 1E	Fireground	
400-6 1F	Maintenance	
400-7 1G	EMS Dispatch	
400-8 1H	EMS Informat	ion
400-9 11	Arson	
400-10	1J	Fire Inspectors
400-11	1K	Fireground
400-12	1L	Fireground
400-13	1M	EMS & Airlife
400-14	1N	EMS Tactical
400-15	10	Fireground

GUADALUPE COUNTY

Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office

Output	Input	Comments
155.070	159.030	Dispatch
155.550	Simplex	Talk

Guadalupe County Fire Department 154.310 simplex

COMAL COUNTY

Comal County Sheritt's Office				
Output `	Input	CTCSS	Comments	
156.000	153.965	203.5	Channel 1	
155.595	154.710		Channel 2	
159.150	Simplex		Talk	

Comal County Fire Department

154.295 153.830 203.5 Dispatch

New Braunfels Police Department

155.190 ??? Dispatch

New Braunfels Fire Department

154.310 151.040 Dispatch

HAYS COUNTY

San Marcos, the county seat, uses the Lower Colorado River Authority's (LCRA) 900 MHz EDACS system exclusively. The Sheriff's Office is also on the LCRA system, but still uses its VHF repeater system, which is repeated on the LCRA system.

LCRA system in LCN order:

1 = 935.4625, 2 = 935.9250, 3 = 937.9750,4 = 939.1500, 5 = 939.5000

02-141	Hays	County	Sheriff's	Office	(155.865
simul	ast)				

02-142 Hays County Sheriff's Office

02-136 Havs County Intercity

04-051 San Marcos Police Department Dispatch

04-052 San Marcos Police Department 04-053 San Marcos Police Department

04-055 San Marcos Police Department

04-056 San Marcos Police Department

Conventional Frequencies Southwest Texas State University Police

155.415 (154.650 input)

Hays County Fire Department

154.385 (153.770 input) 158.745 (155.055 input)

Hays County EMS

155.895 (153.875 input)

TRAVIS COUNTY

Travis County is home to Austin, the state capital, and the University of Texas. Austin uses conventional UHF frequencies while the county and most other of the county's communities use VHF. Presently Austin has proposed a \$70 million Motorola digital TRS for all of Travis County. The frequencies have been licensed, but realistically 2002 would be the earliest we'd see this system in place.

For more complete information about Travis County, visit http:// www.qsl.net/kc4vjo/radio/ tx travis.html.

Austin Police Department

Ch	Output	Input	Notes
1	460.400	465.400	Frank sector (southeast)
2	460.100	465.100	Adam sector (northwest)
3	460.450	465.450	Baker sector (central &
			west)
4	460.325	465.325	Edward sector (north-
			east)
5	460.175	465.175	Charlie sector (east)
6	460.275	465.275	David sector (southwest)
7	460.025	465.025	Information
8	460.400	465.500	Information

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153.950	154.235	Metro-3 Notification
453.775	458.774	Firecom 1
453.150	458.150	Firecom 2
453.500	458.500	Firemed 3
453.100	458.100	Firecom 4
453.450	458.450	Alarm
453.900	458.900	Firecom 5
453.275	458.275	Station Paging
453.675	458.675	Airport

Austin EMS

462.975	467.975	Dispatch
462.950	467.950	Secondary Paging

Travis County Sheriff's Office

1	154.085	156.030	North Dispatch
2	153.935	155.955	Talk
3	155.310	156.090	South Dispatch
6	154.845	155.640	Constable

Travis County	Fire Contro	l Departments
154.400	153.830	Travis County Fire Con-
		trol Ch 1
154.340	Simplex	Travis County Fire Con-
		trol Ch 2
154.205	153.890	Southeast Travis County
		Fire Control Ch 1
154.325	Simplex	Southeast Travis County
		Fire Control Ch 2
153.980	156.120	Travis County Rural Fire
		District Ch 1
154.370	Simplex	Travis County Rural Fire
		District Ch 2

Travis County EMS

155.715 153.995 Dispatch & STAR Flight

University of Texas at Austin Police

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1	155.580	154.770	Dispatch
2	155.820	Simplex	Channel 2

Pflugerville Police Department

155.415 (simplex)

Pflugerville Fire Department

1 154.145 159.060 Dispatch 2 153.920 Simplex Channel 2

WILLIAMSON COUNTY

Williamson County owns a Motorola Type II analog TRS that it uses along with the cities of Round Rock and the county seat, Georgetown. Other cities still rely on their VHF systems.

For more complete information. visit http://www.qsl.net/kc4vjo/radio/tx williamson.html.

Williamson County TRS (Motorola Type II) 854.9875, 856-860.9875, 856-860.9625

Williamson County Sheriff's Office

3248 Dispatch	
3280 Call 2	
3312 Traffic & DPS	
3376 Support	
3408 Talk 1	
3440 CID 1	
3536 Tac	
3568 Tac 1	
3600 Tac 2	
3632 Tac 3	
3664 Talk 1	
3696 Constable Dispatch	
3728 Constable Warrants	
3760 Supervisors	
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Williamson County EMS

3792 Dispatch 3952 Scene 1

2032 Scene 2 5104 Fire Link 3824 Admin 3856 Round Rock Hospital 3888 Georgetown Hospital 3920 Johns Hospital

Georgetown Police Department

592 Dispatch 656 688 Patrol 1720 Tac 1752 Special Events 784828 Animal Control 912 Traffic 1008

Georgetown Fire Department

48 Dispatch 144 Fire 1 176 Fire 2 208 Command 240 Rehab 1136 5040 EMS Link

Round Rock Police Department

1648 North Dispatch 1680 South Dispatch 1712 Tac 1 1744 Information 1776 CID 1 1808 CID 2 1840 Training & Stadium 1872 Special Operations 1904 1936 Talk 1968 Talk 2832 Scene 2 6736 Tac 3

Round Rock Fire Department

2096 Dispatch 2128 Tac 1 2160 Tac 2 2192 Tac 3 5008 EMS Link

BELL COUNTY

Bell County and its cities and towns used everything from the low band through UHF. This changed last year when everyone in the county switched to an EDACS analog TRS.

Bell County system in LCN order

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1 = 857.2375,	2 = 858.237	75,	3 = 85	9.23	375
4 = 860.2375,	5 = 859.762	25,	6 = 85	6.48	375
7 = 857.4875,	8 = 858.487	75,	9=85	9.48	375
10 = 860.487	5,	11	=856	5.46	25
12 = 857.462	5,	13	=858	3.46	25
14 = 859.462	5,	15	=860).46	25
16 = 856.737	5,	17	=858	3.73	75
18 = 859.737	5,	19	=855	5.48	75
20 = 860.7625					

Bell County Sheriff's Office

02-101 Main

02-103 Tac 1

02-104 Tac 2

02-105 SWAT

02-106 CID

02-107 Court Deputies

02-110 Jail

02-112 Car-to-Car

02-115 Civil Channel

02-116 Channel 8

02-121

02-122 Rural Law Enforcement

02-123 Rural Tac 1

02-124 Rural Tac 2

Bell County Constable

03-021 Main

03-031 Judge's Office

03-041 Pursuit Channel

03-053 Car-to-CarBell County Fire

04-101 VFD Dispatch

04-102 VFD Common

04-117 VFD Admin

04-113 Southwest Bell County Dispatch

04-125 Fireground 1

04-126 Fireground 2

04-127 Training 1

04-130 Training 2

15-157 Troy 460 Patch

Belton Police

02-081 Main

02-083 Tac 1

02-084 Tac 2

02-085 Tac 3

02-087 Car-to-Car

02-091 PSO

02-096 Admin 2

02-097

Belton Fire

04-081 Belton FD Main

Salado Fire

04-111 Dispatch

Temple Police

02-021 Main

02-023 Tac 1

02-025 Tac 3

02-026

02-032 Car-to-Car

02-087

Temple Fire & EMS

04-021 Dispatch 04-022 Fire 1

04-023 Fire 2

04-024 Fire 3

04-025 EMS 1

04-026 EMS 2

04-027 EMS 3

04-030 HAZMAT

04-031 Staff

04-032 Admin

04-033 Command

05-001 Station 1

05-002 Station 2

05-003 Station 3

05-004 Station 4 05-005 Station 5

05-006 Station 6

05-007 Station 7

Troy Police

02-126 Main

Trov Fire

04-115 Dispatch

Texas Department of Public Safety

02-141 Main

02-142 County/DPS

02-144 TABC Main

02-146 Car-to-Car

MEDCOM

04-141 Scott & White Hosp ER

04-142 Kings Daughter Hosp ER

04-143 Metroplex Hospital ER

04-144 Darnell Amry Hosp ER

04-145 MED 9

04-146 VA Hospital ER

Emergency Operations

08-021 Bell County EOC

08-041 Temple EOC

08-042 Citywide Temple

Mutual Aid

04-121 Mutual Aid 1

04-122 Mutual Aid 2

04-123 Mutual Aid 3

04-124 Mutual Aid 4

For more information, visit http://www.qsl.net/ kc4vjo/radio/tx bell.html.

FALLS COUNTY

If you take your eyes off the road, even for a few seconds, you may miss your time in Falls County. Actually I exaggerate. I-35 runs for a couple of miles though Falls County, but there are no exits and the only county marker sign that I've seen is on the northbound frontage road which is hard to see from the interstate proper. Trust me, you do pass through here.

Falls County Sheriff's Office

Output Input Notes 154.740 155.790 Dispatch

Falls County Fire Department

154.370 151.475 Dispatch

MCLENNAN COUNTY

The county seat, Waco, has its own Motorola Type II analog TRS that all city services use. The county has talkgroups on the TRS, but relies mainly on its VHF network.

McLennan County Sheriff's Office

Ch. 1 154.875

Ch. 3 156.575

Ch. 5 156.165

McLennan County Fire Department

154.415

Waco TRS (Motorola Type II): 856.2375, 856-858.7625, 856-860.9375

Waco Police Department

48 Channel A Dispatch

80 Channel B

112 Warrants

144 Detectives 2

176 Detectives 1

208 Channel F Talk

304 Admin

432 Tac 1 464 Tac 2

HILL COUNTY

In Hill County, we have to decide on taking IH-35E or IH-35W. Both Dallas and Fort Worth warranted a major north-south interstate, so the powers at be created an east and west branch of IH-35 to pass through Dallas and Fort Worth respectively.

Following IH-35E will take you through Ellis and then Dallas County. IH-35W will take you through Johnson and then Tarrant County. Both branches rejoin in Denton County.

Hill County Sheriff's Office Ch. Output Input CTCSS Notes Dispatch

155.550 154.830 100.0 156.000 158.880

5 154.830 Talk

Hill County Fire Department

154.295

ELLIS COUNTY

All Ellis County Law Enforcement

Ch. Output Input CTCSS Notes 1 155.835 158.955 162.2 Dispatch 2 155.835 simplex Talk

Ellis County Fire Association

Ch. Output

1 46.46 2 46.38

JOHNSON COUNTY

Johnson County Sheriff's Office Ch.Output Input Notes

1 158.745

2 153.920 Simplex

Johnson County Fire Department

46.10

Johnson County EMS

854.2125

Burleson Police Department

1 453.100 458.100 Dispatch

2 453.275 458.275

3 451.275 456.275

Burleson Fire Department

453.150 458.150 Dispatch

DALLAS COUNTY

The City and County of Dallas still rely on their tried and true VHF and UHF systems for fire and law enforcement. Carrollton's Type I system is used by cities in Dallas and Denton counties.

Unit-to-Unit

Dallas County Sheriff's Office

155.715 F1 Constables 155.985 F2 Jail F3 Unit-to-Unit 154.950

F8

155.970

Dallas Police 460.325 Central & East 460.375 F2 Northeast Southeast 460.500 F3 460.425 F4 Southwest 460.075 F5 Northwest 460.175 F6 North 460.275 F7 Traffic 460.125 F8 Tactical

F9 Information

F10 Car-to-Car

F12 Secondary

F11 Investigators

460.475 460.400

460.025

460.225

Dallas Fire 460.575 Dispatch 154.130 F2 Ambulances 153.890 F3 Primary

Fireground 154.415 Fireground

Carrollton TRS (1201) Motorola Type I (s0, s4, s4, s4, s0, s11, s0 s0) 856.2625, 856.7625 857.2625, 857.7625 858.2625, 858.7625 859.2625, 859.7625 860.2625, 860.7625

Carrollton Police

100-1 Channel A Dispatch 100-2 Channel B Information

100-3 Channel C CID 100-4 Channel D

100-5 Channel E Talk 100-6 Channel F Talk

100-7 Channel G Supv/TAC

100-8 Channel H 100-9 Channel I

100-10 Channel J 100-11 Channel K

Carrollton Fire/EMS

300-1 Dispatch 300-2 Tac 2 300-3 Tac 3 300-4 Tac 4

300-10 Trinity Medical Center

300-11 RHD Hospital 300-12 Bitel Medical

TARRANT COUNTY

Fort Worth maintains a mammoth trunked radio system used by the city, Tarrant County, plus many suburban municipalities in the Fort Worth area. Strictly speaking, I-35W passes through only Fort Worth and unincorporated Tarrant County, so those are the two I will focus on. An entire article could be written about trunk tracking the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex. For that, I direct you to Lindsay Blanton's web site http:// www.lcblanton.com/

Fort Worth Public Safety TRS Motorola Type II Analoa

866.1625, 866.2125, 866.2875, 866.3625, 866.3875, 866.6625, 866.6875, 866.7125, 866.8375, 866.8875, 867.1625, 867.2125, 867.2625, 867.3375, 867.3875, 867.6625, 867.7125, 867.7625, 867.8375, 867.8875 MHz

Tarrant County Sheriff's Office Fort Worth PoliceNorth Division

2992 N-PTRL Patrol 3024 N-CID CID 3056 N-COPS CRO/Code Blue 6864 N-COPS2 CRO/Code Blue 3088 N-SUPV Supervisor 3120 N-FOOT Foot/Bike Patrol 3152 N-TLK1 Talk Channel 1 3184 N-TLK2 Talk Channel 2 3216 N-TLK3 Talk Channel 3

South Division

2448 S-PTRL Patrol 2480 S-CID CID 2512 S-COPS CRO/Code Blue 6896 S-COPS2 CRO/Code Blue 2544 S-SUPV Supervisor 2576 S-DIR Directed Patrol 2608 S-TLK1 Talk Channel 1 2640 S-TLK2 Talk Channel 2 2672 S-TLK3 Talk Channel 3 2960 S-K9 K9

East Division

2160 E-PTRL Patrol 2192 E-CID CID 2224 E-COPS CRO/Code Blue 6800 E-COPS2 CRO/Code Blue 2256 E-SUPV Supervisor 2288 E-TRAC TRAC

2320 E-TLK1 Talk Channel 1 2352 E-TLK2 Talk Channel 2 2384 E-TLK3 Talk Channel 3

West Division

2704 W-PTRL Patrol 2736 W-CID CID 2768 W-COPS CRO/Code Blue 6832 W-COPS2 CRO/Code Blue BLU 19024 W-COPS3 CRO/Code Blue 2800 W-SUPV Supervisor 2832 W-DIR Directed Patrol 2864 W-TLK1 Talk Channel 1 2896 W-TLK2 Talk Channel 2 2928 W-TLK3 Talk Channel 3

Central Division 3248 C-PTRL Patrol 3280 C-CID CID 3312 C-COPS CRO/Code Blue 6928 C-COPS2 CRO/Code Blue 3344 C-SUPV Supervisor 3376 C-DIR Directed Patrol 3408 C-TLK1 Talk Channel 1 3440 C-TLK2 Talk Channel 2 (Texas Motor Speed-3472 C-TLK3 Talk Channel 3

Fort Worth Fire

1808 FDGP-1 Fire Group-1 Dispatch 1840 FDGP-2 Fire Group-2 Major Incidents TAC 1872 FDGP-3 Fire Group-3 Grass Fires TAC 1904 FDGP-4 Fire Group-4 EMS Incidents TAC 1936 FDGP-5 Fire Group-5 TAC 1968 FDGP-6 Fire Group-6 TAC 2000 FDADMN Fire Administration 2032 FDINVT Fire Investigation 2064 FDPREV Fire Prevention - Texas Motor Speedway Operations 2096 FDCMD1 Fire Command-1 2128 FDCMD2 Fire Command-2 5200 FDCOMM1 Fire Communications - Training 1 5232 FDCOMM2 Fire Communications - Training 2 5264 FDCOMM3 Fire Communications - Training 3 5296 FDACAD1 Fire Academy - Training 1 5328 FOACAD2 Fire Academy - Training 2 5360 FDACAD3 Fire Academy - Training 3 6384 DIV1TLK Division 1 Talk 6416 DIV2TLK Division 2 Talk 6448 DIV3TLK Division 3 Talk 6480 DIV4TLK Division 4 Talk

Fort Worth EMS

5392 EMS-1 EMS - Training 1 5424 EMS-2 EMS - Training 2 5456 EMS-3 EMS - Training 3

DENTON COUNTY

As the Dallas/Fort Worth area has grown, its suburbs have spilled over into Denton County. The City and County of Denton operate two separate Motorola analog systems, the city's is type I and the county's type II. Cities in the southern part of the county are on Dallas and Tarrant county based systems.

Denton County TRS Motorola Type II Analog

856.2875, 857.2875, 858.2875, 859.2875, 860.2875

Denton County Sheriff's Office

Dispatch 112 Tac-1 144 Tac-2 176 Tac-3 208 Tac-4 240 Tac-5

Denton County Fire

8240 F1 Dispatch 8272 F2 Trophy Club 8304 F3 Roanoke 8336 F4 Justin 8368 F5 Argyle 8400 F6 Double Oak 8432 F7 Ponder 8464 F8 Krum 8496 F9 Sanger 8528 F10 Little Elm 8592 F11 Pilot Point 8624 F12 Mayhill & Cripple Creek

Texas Department of Public Safety

City of Denton TRS

Motorola Type I Analog (s4, s4, s4, s4)853.0625, 853.9125, 854.5625, 856.3125, 857.3125, 858.3125, 859.3125, 860.3125

University of North Texas Police 100-2 Dispatch

City of Lewisville TRS

Motorola Type IIi Analog (s0, s0, s0, s0, s3, s5,

Lewisville Police

600-1 F1 Patrol F2 F3 Information F4 F5 Animal Control

Lewisville Fire

600-8 Fire-1 Dispatch Fire-2 Fire-3 Fire-4 Fire-5 Fire-6

COOKE COUNTY

Cooke County Sheriff's Office

Output Input Notes 155.130 155.970 Dispatch

Cooke County Firefighters Association

Denton Police

F1 F2 F3 F4

Denton Fire Dispatch

Tac-1 Tac-2



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2 DPS MBL	155.460	155.460	162.2	DPS MOBILE TO MOBILE 'A'	
3 I/C MBL	154.950	154.950	N/A	INTERAGENCY MOBILE	
4 I/C BASE	154.950	155.370	N/A	INTERAGENCY BASE	
5 CHL 1 RX	154.680		162.2	CHL 1 MOBILE RECEIVE	
6 CHL 8 RX	154.695		162.2	CHL 8 MOBILE RECEIVE	
7 DPS MBL	155.445	155.445	162.2	DPS MOBILE TO MOBILE 'B'	
8 DPS BASE	154.695	155.445	162.2	DPS MOBILE TO BASE 'B'	
9 MBL/MBL	159.210	159.210	162.2	DPS MOBILE TO MOBILE 'C'	
10 DPS RP SW	154.665	159.210	162.2	DPS REPEATER STATEWIDE	
11 DPS RP 11	154.665	159.210	107.2	DPS REPEATER 11	
12 DPS RP 12	154.665	159.210	110.9	DPS REPEATER 12	
13 DPS RP 13	154.665	159.210	118.8	DPS REPEATER 13	
14 DPS RP 14	154.665	159.210	123.0	DPS REPEATER 14	
15 DPS RP 15	154.665	159.210	127.3	DPS REPEATER 15	
16 DPS RP 16	154.665	159.210	136.5	DPS REPEATER 16	
17 DPS RP 17	154.665	159.210	141.3	DPS REPEATER 17	
18 DPS RP 18	154.665	159.210	146.2	DPS REPEATER 18	
19 DPS RP 19	154.665	159.210	151.4	DPS REPEATER 19	



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Ten Meters: How to Make Your Daily Commute Fun

ost of us have to commute from home to work in what's often a dreary ritual of searching for something interesting on the radio or fumbling for cassettes or CDs in order to relieve the tedium. If you're a ham with a Technician class license you

probably have 2 meters in the car and enjoy chatting with friends on a favorite repeater. After a while your thoughts might turn to something more



interesting like working exotic DX stations or just rag chewing with other hams across the country. But, mention going HF mobile and most of us cringe at the thought of towering antennas on our cars with guy wires going to bumpers and hood ornaments. Then there's the expense of those fancy HF rigs which eat up most of the interior of your car.

Well, it doesn't have to be that way. There is a place where rigs and antennas are small, prices cheap and, when the band is in, the DX is hot. I'm talking about the 10 meter band, and all winter long this band is in its prime. Ten meters is like a wide open frontier. Spanning two megahertz, this band delivers the whole HF feast. Tune up and down 10 meters and you'll hear CW, RTTY, packet, SSTV, AM, FM, repeaters, QRP operators and AMSATs. What's left? Well, for starters there's net activity, DX pile-ups, beacon stations, contests, county hunters, and good old fashioned rag chewing. HF amateur radio operating doesn't get any better than this!

HF on the Cheap

Years ago a number of manufacturers built all-mode transceivers designed to operate only on the ten meter band. Ranger, Uniden, and Radio Shack all came into the market with small, full-function transceivers with a power output of 25 watts. Their size, not much bigger than a mobile 2 meter rig, makes for easy under-dash installations.

Uniden no longer makes such a product (though they continue to service old ones), Radio Shack continues its production with the HTX-10 (see photo), Ranger now offers a 10 meter/12 meter transceiver combo (RCI-

2950DX), and Alinco has joined the crowd with its DR-M03SX (though it operates only in the FM mode). Radio Shack's HTX-10 is the best bargain at \$150, but used 10 meter transceivers are readily found at hamfests at about half their retail price.

Antennas for 10 meters are relatively small and inexpensive. Three-element beam antennas for ten meter base stations are small enough

to be turned by a regular TV antenna rotor. Mobile antennas for these radios are a little smaller than CB antennas and cost as little as \$30 new. So, there it is: a complete ten meter HF station for under \$200 brand new!

How the Band Works

It really helps to have an understanding of how the 10 meter band works to get the most out of it. Ten meters really starts to open up during the winter months, when atmospheric conditions are at their best. Virtually all activity will happen between your local sunrise and your local sunset. This is what

makes it the perfect commuter's band. The band will be most active during the peak of the current solar cycle, and, while we may have reached the peak earlier this year, there will be several more winters when the band will continue to make it worth your while to have your ham ticket.

Signals on 10 can come from anywhere, but typically you'll hear stations to the east of you in the morning and stations to the west as the day progresses. Depending on how active the ionosphere is for any given day, stations may be weak or very

strong. As a commuter, if you live on the East Coast, you can expect to hear Europe and Africa during your morning commute and the West Coast and possibly Asia on your evening commute. West Coasters will hear the East Coast during their morning commute and Asia in the evening.

At different times the Carribean and South America may also be heard. Sometimes you'll be right in the middle between two DX stations, able to pick up British Columbia and Venezuela at the same time!

Another characteristic of 10 is that conditions may be great for hours or just minutes. I've had nice hour long chats with hams in Great Britain, but other times there's only enough time to trade call signs and signal reports. One way to determine how conditions are is to monitor the beacon stations (see chart #2). Don't be discouraged if you don't hear any beacons, the band could still be wide open. The only real way to find out is to call CQ!

Operating Tips for Ten

RadioShack

The first thing you should do when you get your 10 meter mobile station installed is to listen. You'll learn more from hearing how others are operating than you can read in any book. If you come across a DX station working a pile-up don't immediately key up and

join the fray. Most DX stations have their own way of dealing with pile-ups. Pay attention to their procedures; by doing so you'll help cut down on unintended interference and save yourself some embarrassment.

Pay attention to the band plan laid out in chart #2. Unless you are actually operating QRP

(less than 5 watts on CW and less than 10 watts voice) stay off the QRP CW and SSB calling frequencies. Further, stay off the FM simplex and repeater frequencies unless you are actually operating as such. You get the idea. The satellite downlinks are

easily heard with even modest receivers. These are amateur satellites zipping over your house at about 17,000 mph. The sat-

over your house at about 17,000 mph. The satellite receives signals sent by hams on one band,



2 meters in this case, and retransmits the sig-

nals on 10 meters, which is how you can hear

them. Since the satellite's "footprint" (the area

on Earth which can have access to the satel-

lite) is fairly large and is moving quickly, con-

versations tend to be very short. Listen for the

characteristic "Doppler shift" as the sound of

the transmission gets higher or lower as it

There are a number of FM repeaters around

the world which perform similar to 2 meter

FM repeaters. They employ a transmit fre-

quency offset from the receive frequency (the

transceivers are set up to automatically make

the offset in duplex mode). The difference is

that these repeaters can be thousands of miles

away. When the band opens up these repeat-

ers sometimes become free-for-alls as hun-

dreds of hams try to access the repeater at

once. It's often not the best example of "con-

FM and AM operations, there's lots of room

for experimenting locally. Once the sun goes

Since most of these rigs are capable of SSB,

siderate operating."

Ten meter FM repeaters are interesting.

moves toward and away from your location.

themselves talking with DX stations thousands of miles away. It's just one of the unpredictable things about 10 meters.

One Last Thing

The FCC's license restructuring has made a lot of changes, but operating 10 meters remains essentially the same (see chart #1). Anyone with a Technician Plus license can hit the airwaves. If you have a "codeless" Tech license all you need is to pass the 5 wpm code test and you're in business. If you don't have an amateur radio license, but haven't been attracted to the 2 meter repeater crowd, ten meters might be just the excuse you need to dive in. There are plenty of local ham clubs which have regularly scheduled classes to help

you get your ticket and there are excellent selfstudy courses available at reasonable cost as well.

I've used a Uniden 2510 into a Hustler 10 meter whip with its 25 watts out for more than ten years and have made hundreds of contacts with hams all over the world. During the winter months I actually look forward to my 40 minute trip into town! Take advantage of what 10 meters has to offer: small radios and antennas, low prices and international communications in all modes.

This year the annual ARRL 10 meter contest will take place December 9-10. Set aside those days to get acquainted with this band and find out what's in store for you! For complete contest rules see http://www.arrl.org.

Chart 1

License Class, Frequencies, Modes, Power Allowed Novice & Technician Plus:

28:100-28.300 MHz; CW, RTTY/Data; 200 Watts PEP 28.300-28.500 MHz; CW, Phone; 200 Watts PEP General, Advanced, Amateur Extra:

28.000-28.300 MHz; CW, RTTY/Data 28.300-29.700 MHz; CW, Phone, Image

Chart 2

Frequency	Mode & Notes
28.000-28.070 MHz	CW (28.060 MHz QRP CW calling fre
28.000-28.120 MHz	Data
28.070-28.150 MHz	RTTY
28.120-28.189 MHz	Automatically controlled data stations
28.150-28.190 MHz	CW
28.190-28.225 MHz	Beacons
28.300-29.300 MHz	Phone (28.385 MHz QRP SSB calling fre quency)
28.680 MHz	Slow Scan TV
29.000-29.200 MHz	AM
29.300-29.510 MHz	Satellite Downlinks
29.520-29.580 MHz	FM Repeater Inputs (29.600 MHz FM Simplex)
29.620-29.680 MHz	FM Repeater Outputs
From the FCC Rule Bool	k & www.arrl.org

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down 10 meters becomes virtually dead. That doesn't mean the action has to stop. When skywave transmissions are impossible, groundwave propagation (transmissions which travel along the ground before dissipating) comes in to play. Groundwave is usually good only for a radius up to several miles. Still, it could be enough for a club or group of friends in the immediate area to enjoy unfettered rag

chewing. However, every now and then the

band will open up and the local gang may find

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- **Q.** How can I remove the scratches from the plastic bezel of the display on my hand-held radio? (Michael Jacquart, e-mail)
- **A.** The best thing I've found is Brasso, available everywhere. It has a very mild abrasive used to polish soft metals. While it cannot remove deep scratches, it certainly does tone down abrasions, and brighten up the look! On very mild abrasions, I've rubbed my thumb back and forth over the surface until it gets hot; while this does nothing for your thumb, it does seem to soften and blend the marring!
- **Q.** This past weekend I was showing my shortwave antenna to a friend. He told me that I needed to shorten the coax lead-in to match the antenna, the way he did with CB radios in the 70s. Is this true? (Chris Campbell, Columbus, OH)
- **A.** No, it's not. While there may be a tiny reduction in resistive loss if you shorten the coax lead-in, you won't be able to hear it. The myth about specific lengths of coax comes from measuring standing wave ratio; but if you place an SWR meter between a transmitter and the coax, all you will measure is the impedance match at that junction, not at the antenna feed point—unless the coax is an electrical half-wavelength (or wholenumber multiple of a half-wavelength) at the frequency on which you are operating (such as CB at 27 MHz). Since that occurs only at prescribed frequencies, it's meaningless for general shortwave listening.

Antennas seem to carry more mythology than Greek history. If there's one true axiom about shortwave receiving antennas, it's this: Almost anything will work! Modern receivers are very sensitive, so they don't need big antennas. And since the frequency ranges are so broad, there is no advantage to cutting specific wire lengths. More important considerations for shortwave wire antennas are:

- (1) Elevate them as high as practical;
- (2) Choose a length between roughly 30 and 70 feet;
- (3) Keep them away from the dwelling and from electrical power lines:
- (4) Feed them with quality coax at or near the center.

Well-made coax with properly installed connectors include RG-8/U, RG-58/U, RG-6/U, RG-59/U, or nearly any other kind of coax except very small RG-174/U for shortwave reception. The important parameters are shielding and low loss, not impedance.

But even if a shortwave antenna system is somewhat lossy, it won't make much difference – the signal and the background noise will both be proportionately reduced, so all you would need to do would be turn up the volume control slightly to hear it as if it were stronger!

- Q. I have an old Hunterdon aeronautical frequency directory that shows Sky Harbor Airport (Phoenix) using 140.000 MHz. Is this a valid frequency? If I tune that frequency on an inexpensive multiband radio that has a continuous 108-174 MHz band, am I likely to hear it? (Robert Brock, Phoenix, AZ).
- **A.** Although Hunterdon is no longer publishing their directories, the frequency 140.000 MHz is still a valid Air National Guard frequency for their Sky Harbor operations. If you are close enough to the base, inexpensive multiband radios are capable of detecting both AM and FM transmissions simultaneously on their VHF ranges.
- **Q.** With the prohibitions against making modifications to cellular-restorable scanners, how do I know what modifications are legal to my scanner or shortwave receiver? (Numerous inquiries)
- **A.** Many hobbyists are concerned about the vague term "modification." Just what can you do to a scanner (or other FCC-certified receiving equipment) without breaking the law?

This is specifically addressed in the Code of Federal Regulations, CFR-47, part 2.1043, which allows any mechanical or electrical modification which does not affect the characteristics which were originally filed with the Federal Communications Commission for certification.

Simply stated, the owner may exchange IF filters, replace line cords, alter audio

stages, customize cabinet hardware, add S meters, and do anything else that does not affect the frequency determining circuitry or cause an increase in incidental radio frequency (RF) radiation which could interfere with other electronics.

- **Q.** Is it simple to add a signal strength meter (S meter) to a scanner or other receiver? (Tim Taylor, Erie, PA)
- **A.** While it is relatively straightforward, it is a custom installation in every model. Basically, an S-meter circuit consists of a sensitive current meter (microammeter or milliammeter) in a DC amplifier circuit, designed to detect subtle changes in current and registering those as a deflection of the meter needle.

The circuit is most usually added to the automatic gain control (AGC) portion if the intermediate frequency (IF) stages where the difference in signal levels is the most pronounced. The problem is that different integrated circuits (ICs) are used for different models.

Further complicating the effort is that many designs use different chips, or different sections of the same chip, for AM and FM detection; therefore, the S meter might work only on one mode unless switched to the other circuit for the other mode. If you can find an AGC line common to both modes, you're in luck!

But for the stalwart experimenter, such components are available. Grove Enterprises is currently selling an excellent Smeter for only \$5.95 for home-brew projects and entrepreneurs who want to offer an Smeter add-on service. For more information, visit that Web page at http://www.groveent.com/ttsmeter.html.

Questions or tips sent to "Ask Bob," c/o MT are printed in this column as space permits. If you desire a prompt, personal reply, mail your questions along with a self-addressed stamped envelope (no telephone calls, please) in care of MT, or e-mail to bgrove@grove-ent.com. (Please include your name and address.) The current "Ask Bob" is now online at our WWW site: www.grove-ent.com



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This month's column continues a list of bright ideas for you to pass on to your family members, who always ask, "What do you want for a holiday gift?" These gift ideas are more modest in price compared to last month's suggestions.

A nice stocking stuffer would be a magazine subscription (or renewal.) Naturally, Monitoring Times is at the top of my list. Only \$26 a year. Call 1-800-438-8155. MT

is also available online in PDF format for only \$20 (or \$11 if added to your printed subscription.) My other candidate is Popular Communications (\$26 a year) at 1-516-681-2926.

For \$5.00, you can order a really neat wall charter of the U.S. radio spectrum as assigned by international agreements. Log on to: http://bookstore.gpo.gov/sb/sb-

296.html (There are several other interesting publications on the same web site.) This chart is huge! I hope you have a large wall space and an understanding spouse. It is also an inexpensive gift to buy for a radio buddy.

If you don't have one, a beginner's soldering tool set. You never know when you might need to solder a new coax connector or repair a broken BNC. Under \$20.

Already have a soldering iron? Then how about the workbench holder and tip cleaner. Need some soldering experience? Radio Shack (RS) has several RSU kits for under \$15.

A universal battery charger from Maha. Check'em out at 1-800-376-9992, or http://www.mahacomm.com/.

DC (RS#273-1815) and AC (273-1662) power adapters. I always carry these in my "Go" fanny pack. With these, I can run virtually any electrical device from an AC

outlet or the car's cigarette outlet.

An assortment of DC wire connectors. You also need a quality wirestripper. The RS one is not up to my specs. You can try an auto supply store, Wal-Mart, or Kmart, or Graybar. They carry the very

best, but quite steep prices. Nevertheless, a quick field trip to Graybar might unearth other "must have" tools.

Keep in the habit of checking bargain internet locations. There are often big savings at http:// www.uniden.com/docs/store/ itemlist.cfm?cattvpe=prd such as

the BC144XL 16 channel base scanner for \$36, and the BC148XLT-1 20 channel base scanner for \$53, and the BC60XLT handheld scanner for \$48.36 In stock like new. Another great source is Grove enterprises at http://www.grove-ent.com/ clearance.html.

Inventory changes daily so keep that on your Internet links bar. Also check the Bargain Bin at http://www.grove-ent.com/hmpgbbb.html. Another source is http://www.strongsignals.net/ htm/bargains.htm.



Naturally I had to try on my new vest to see if it fit!

A regional Frequency Guide. Yes, I know RS carries them. But there are many other guides that are published by individuals or clubs. Contact your closest Scanner/Ham/2-way radio dealers. Try the Internet at http://www.albanv.net/ ~scanner/sw/vx/32wb.htm. Others to check out: http://www.aosc.org/info.html, http:// www.scannermaster.com/prod01.htm, or

http://www.bearcat1.com/menu03.htm. In Canada, RS carries special Canadian frequency guides.

> A common complaint of scanner owners is the lack of brightness

on the display backlight. Here are two possible solutions. Bookstores, and yes Radio Shack, sell book lamps that focus light in one direction. These run off batteries and can be switched on or off very quickly. I prefer the clamshell ones. All the light is focused at the radio and not in my eyes. I also experimented with the small square night-lights meant to plug directly into the wall outlet. Except I use a cheap extension cord. You can position this light at an angle, which softly illuminates the room, but again not in your eyes. I am sure there are many other lighting ideas out there. Do you have an idea that worked for your situation?

A multi (volt) meter. Watch your sales and these can be had for less than \$20. If you are not familiar with their many uses, you can buy a companion book.

Tip: New Year's Eve is always buzzing with police, fire and EMS traffic. If you are out on the town, you can use a recorder. New Year's day is dead unless you live in

a community that is hosting a parade or bowl game. Yeah, I know, I should get a life. Frankly, I am getting too old to party after midnight. I would rather wake up the next day and watch football.

My disclosure: I have no stock or other business interests in Radio Shack. Many of my suggested products can be found at many other sources. Nevertheless, there is no getting around the fact that there is a Radio Shack store within a 20 minute drive of 90% of the population. There are many discount stores, electrical supply and auto parts stores that have interesting items. Just take your time and carefully wander up and down EVERY aisle.

Graybar is another very interesting store. The prices are steep but their tools and parts are top grade. There are also small used computer and other "surplus junk" type stores hiding in the small strip malls and converted barns. Here in Spokane, I have discovered the "General Store" and the "White Elephant." Just gawking at the merchandise is a treat. Occasionally, I find a product with a new potential use.

I enjoy the privilege of writing this column. I hope you have found at least a few of my ideas helpful. I am always happy to hear from you, the faithful readers of MT.

Happy Holidays! I look forward to an excellent New Year in 2001.

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Sunshine State not so Sunny

he State of Florida recently awarded the contract for their statewide radio system to Com-Net Ericsson. A press release, dated June 28th, reads:

"The State of Florida Joint Task Force has awarded the Florida Statewide Radio Communications Project to Com-Net Ericsson Critical Radio Systems, Inc. of Lynchburg, VA. Com-Net Ericsson is pleased to join with the State to create the first-of-its-kind, public-private partnership for critical communications. The system, to be owned and operated by Com-Net Ericsson, will provide communications for state agencies. The implementation of this project will result in immediate cost savings, insulate the State from future cost overruns and will allow the state agencies to focus on their core competence of protecting and serving the citizens of Florida."

Motorola, which for years had been building and running the digital system, is fighting the move. In a press release (the full text of which can found on the Motorola web site at www.mot.com/LMPS/pressreleases/page1201.htm), there are some stunning comments that make you wonder about the process of radio procurement, not just in Florida, but around the country.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (Sept. 28, 2000) - Following a long and disputed procurement process for the completion of a statewide law enforcement radio system, the State of Florida Department of Management Services (DMS) today contracted with Com-Net Ericsson Critical Radio Systems, Inc.

Today's contract means that Phases I and II of the statewide system - successfully installed and recently upgraded by Motorola - will be completely dismantled and rebuilt. The Florida DMS contract award to Com-Net also covers the completion of Phases III, IV, and V. In response to the Florida DMS contract award to Com-Net Ericsson, Motorola's position is as follows:

We are disappointed that the State of Florida has chosen to sign a contract with Com-Net, the terms and services of which indicate the contract is not in the best interests of Florida, its residents and its visitors. The timing of today's contract signing is equally surprising and inappropriate, since there are currently several legal actions pending that seriously challenge the legal process followed by DMS in the procurement process, including alleged violations of the Florida Sunshine Law.

The statewide law enforcement radio system provides a critical communication link for public safety officers in state organizations such as the Florida Highway Patrol, Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and others. Once completed, the system is designed to allow officers to communicate instantly and seamlessly across the entire state. As well, the system provides a direct communication link between state law enforcement and city and county law enforcement agencies. The system's design, reliability and ease of use are critical in officer arrest situations and directly affect the safety and well being of the public.

Although the State had a well-defined evaluation process in place to safeguard those functions, the appointed evaluation committee made serious deviations from that specified process. These inappropriate actions resulted in a contract that does not meet many RFP specifications and eliminates many user functions that are critical to the safety of Florida's law enforcement community. (See the listed web page for further details of the press release.)

What this means for the future of this system, used by Florida Highway Patrol among other state agencies, is unclear. Being a digital system, scanner users were never that fond of it anyway.

More on Digital

The State of Michigan has, probably, the most extensive digital statewide network in the nation. The system has been up and running for a number of years and continues to grow. Here's a report from Ron Wilbanks on some recent changes:

Recently, with the expansion of the Michigan State Police TRS (trunked radio system) into Districts 5 and 6, a few counties have decided to move their E-9-1-1 dispatching over to the Michigan State Police Trunked Radio System.

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Capitol Airport Authority [police and fire] (Clinton County)

Huron Township Police (Wayne County) Lansing City Police and Fire (Ingham County)

County 9-1-1 Central Dispatches expected to join the system in 2001 are:

Barry

Genesee

Ionia

Jackson

Kent Macomb

Manistee

Montcalm

Ottawa

St. Clair

City of Grand Rapids and Kentwood Police (Kent County)

Obviously, the above list of participants is subject to change. You may read more about the MSP TRS at: http://www.mpscs.com/index.html.

Trunking Updates

We recently received the following contribution for West Hartford, Connecticut. Connecticut is another state that is installing a statewide digital radio system. So far the reports on this system have been very positive. Other state digital systems in development include Ohio (the MARCS system), Kentucky and Colorado. (We understand all these statewide systems to be APCO-25 compliant.)

West Hartford Trunked System

Frequencies and Talkgroup IDs 866.075, 866.3250, 866.800, 868.2875, 868.8125

I found West Hartford runs with a Type 1 Motorola System (but it appears public safety use Type II groups – editor). I have the Radio Shack Pro 92. The Fleet map I use is 10 which is S0, S0, S0, S0, S0, S4, S4 and I received the groups with no problems.

Talk Groups	ID
Town Wide Routine	13616
Town Wide Emergency	15216
Town Agencies Common	8848
Town Agencies All Talk	8816
Police Dispatch	240
Police Patrol 1	80
Police Patrol 2	112
Police Tactical 1	144
Police Tactical 2	176
Police All Talk	16
Police Supervisors	48
Police Investigators	208
Fire Dispatch	2640
Fire Ground 2	2480
Fire Ground 3	2512
Fire Ground 4	2544

Fire Ground 5	2576
FMO	2608
Intercity Crosspatch	2448
Fire All Talk	2416
Public Works Dispatch	4144
Public Works Ops 1	4080
Public Works Ops 2	4112
Public Works Supervisors	4048
Public Works All Talk	4016
Plants & Facilities All Talk	7216
Plants & Facilities Admin	7248
Plants & Facilities Element	7280
Plants & Facilities Mid/High	7312
Plants & Facilities Common	7344
Leisure Services All Talk	5616
Leisure Services Admin	5648
Leisure Services Operations	5680
Leisure Services Common	5712
Board of Ed All Talk	10416
Board of Ed Transportation	10448
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A region from which we receive little or no information is Puerto Rico, yet below you'll find details on the Commonwealth's extensive Motorola trunked radio system:

Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Police

Frequencies: 856.2625, 856.7375, 856.9375, 857.2625, 857.7375, 857.9375, 858.2625,

858.7375, 858.9375, 859.2625, 859.7375, 859.9375, 860.2625, 860.7375, 860.9375

Talkgroups:

48	SJ3 - Rio Piedras, Caimito, Monte
	Hatillo
112	SJ2 - Hato Rey, Puerto Nuevo
176	SJ1 - S.J., Santurce, C. Loiza, Bo

Obrero
240 H1 - San Juan message channel

400 Car 1-Carolina North,South;Trujillo
Δlto N S

432 Car 2-Vistamar, Los Angeles, Airport, Isla Verde

464 Car 3-Carolina East, Canovanas, Loiza, Rio Gr.

496 Satuvation Carolina

656 HN Carolina message channel

912 Caguas I, includes Gurabo

Caguas II, Caguas, Aguas Buenas

1808 Special assignments

39312 Radio Engineers

❖ Bearcat 780 Update – Part 2

Recently, in a telephone conversation with MT's Larry Van Horne, he told me that the forth-coming release of the Bearcat 780 was creating more scanner buzz than he had seen in a very long time. We're not surprised considering the

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Last month we covered the basic features and functions of the radio along with a detailed report on its powerful Ericsson-tracking capabilties. This month we'll cover other important, non-trunking, aspects of the radio. Next month we'll try to cover Motorola tracking.

SAME Weather Alert

In addition to the standard weather scan and weather alert feature of many scanners, the 780, like the PRO-92 and PRO-2067 scanners, has a SAME weather alert feature. You can go into the Weather menu and set what are known as FIPS area codes for your area. This will open the squelch on the scanner when a warning (such as a severe thunderstorm warning) applies just to your county, for example. The display on the scanner will actually show the warning in alpha-numeric text and the NOAA siren will sound. You cannot scan and monitor for SAME alerts at the same time, however.

Reverse

You can "reverse" to the input side of most repeater communications (or you can reverse to the output if you start on the input) with the 780 by pressing the Decimal key on the scanner. This function is active in Scan, Search and Service Search modes, but not active when trunking. This applies to any signal that has a standard repeater-pair (such as 453.350/458.350) or any Ham frequency with a standard repeater pair (10-meter, 6-meter, 2-meter, 220 MHz and 440 MHz).

This feature is available on many Ham rigs but we believe this is the first time it is available on a scanner. The primary purposes for this feature is to help you check your proximity to the source of the transmitting unit and it is also helpful in testing antennas, reception range, etc.

Screen Mask

Many public safety and communications officials were contacted during the development of the BC780XLT for their opinions on features they would find appealing. Screen Mask was suggested by a law enforcement officer in the Chicago area. He commented that police officers are swamped with information-overload in their cruisers. Some departments have two or three transceivers in their patrol cars for local and intercity operations, plus mobile data terminals and controls for lights, siren and a radar gun. Add a scanner and it gets difficult, if not impossible, to keep track of it all.

Mobile scanners with alpha tags, such as the 780 and the PRO-2067 are good start. This is a big step up for officers who used to have an old Bearcat 560 (or equivalent) with their two-character channel code (01 through 16) which often left them completely in the dark as to whom they were listening. Officers with the very popular Bearcat 760 (now out of production) at least can see the frequency, but how many of them actually know that 155,730 is Podunk Police?

While the 780 and 2067 resolve this problem (the 780 has a 16-character alpha-numeric channel tag line and the 2067 has a 12-characater line), the 780 takes it one step further. With the Screen Mask feature you can eliminate much of the display clutter which, for sensory-overloaded police officers or even some radio hobbyists, is unnecessary and confusing. The 780 allows you to mask the middle of the screen, which includes frequency, sub-audible tone, signal strength meter, trunking repeater activity indicators, and more. As the 780 has two large alpha-numeric text lines (one for channel or talkgroup tags and one for bank or scan list tags), the display could simply show (if you decide not to set a bank tag), for example:

Dallas Police F2

A few small icons, indicating banks and scan/manual condition, will also appear. This will make the radio much friendlier in a public safety vehicle or dispatch center environment. Note that you can also quickly restore all screen indicators by pressing the VFO knob.

Mute

One 780 feature was actually suggested by a past president of APCO (Association of Public Safety Communications Officials). He had a problem where, in the very noisy environment of a responding fire apparatus, he needed to be able to quickly quiet a scanner so as not to miss an important communication over his regular two-way channel. He didn't like turning down the volume on his 760 as he would invariably forget that he had done so. Thus, on the 780, Uniden included a Mute key (shared with the Select key which is used during Menu operations). By pressing the Select/Mute key, the audio will be muted and the display will clearly show MUTE until you press the same key again.

Service Search

The Bearcat 780 has the most extensive Service Search ever built into a scanner. While some hobbyists have never made great use of this feature, the 780's unique service search will, we believe, prove invaluable. Service Search is activated by pressing and holding the Search key (when out of trunk mode). Once you press it, you are given a menu of 10 different searches to choose from as follows. (As discussed last month, the 780 is Menu driven for many of its functions.)

1. PUBLIC SAFETY

The FCC has reclassified the Part-90 spectrum essentially into two categories of interest: public safety and business. Now just about any public safety agency can grab a frequency that formerly had been allotted specifically for fire, or police, for their own use. This is why this broad category was included in the 780 as opposed to just police or just fire. Note that all of the new refarmed VHF 7.5 kHz frequencies are included in this search.

2. NEWS

A scan of the news media frequencies.

3. TV AUDIO

Listen to the audio portion of television channels 2 through 20 with this Service Search. The alpha display shows you the channel number.

4. HAM RADIO

The Ham scan covers 10-meter channels (29-30 MHz), 6-Meter (52-54 MHz), 2-Meter (145-148 MHz), 220 MHz and 440 MHz repeater frequencies. The reverse key, covered above, allows you to quickly reverse to the input side of received repeaters.

5. MARINE

This is a generic scan of the marine and coast guard frequencies, as well as the marine operator channels, in the 156-161 MHz range. Unique to this scan, however, is that whenever a channel is active during the scan, the top alpha line will display the marine channel number, i.e. Channel 16, along with the frequency on the third line of the display.

6. RAILROAD

A scan of all the Association of American Railroad radio frequencies (160-162 MHz band and the few UHF channels) along with their channel numbers (see above.)

7. AIR

An air-band scan that runs from 118.000 to 137.000 in 25 kHz increments. So many other scanners start at 108 MHz (108-118 is primarily for beacons, not voice traffic) and also scan in 12.5 kHz steps that are rarely, if ever, in used in the United States. The 780's scan rate through this "culled" air-band spectrum is extremely rapid.

8. CB RADIO

A scan of the 40 CB AM channels in the 26-27 MHz range which includes a display of the CB channel number.

9. FRS

A scan of the 14 FRS (Family Radio Service) channels in the 462/467 MHz band which includes a display of the FRS channel number. FRS radios are so widely used nowadays in neighborhoods, on the highway, and just about everywhere else that this scan should really come in handy.

10. SPECIAL

This is certainly the most interesting of all the service searches. When you activate this search, your radio rapidly steps you through all the frequencies designated for use as low-power, itinerant, wireless microphone, FRS, GMRS, new 151 MHz "CB", and "color-dot," as well as all the UHF splinter frequencies (such as 469.2625). We can hardly imagine a better method to discover new and unlicensed operations at malls, fairs, sporting events, concerts, airports, office and apartment complexes, restaurant drive-throughs, construction sites, and the like.

As usual, any of the frequencies received during a Service Search can be programmed into regular channel memory. Service Search also contains 100 "skip" frequencies which you can use to lock out unmodulated carriers, etc.

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The Guide to MUF Surfing

UF stands for "Maximum Usable Frequency." It's one of the least-understood concepts in radio, because it's too easy to think of it as an absolute. It's actually a dynamic measurement of a highly turbulent region of our ionosphere. At any given time, there's a different MUF for every single radio path in the world.

Furthermore, this real-time MUF will differ greatly from the predicted one, which is statistical for the whole period. As they used to say in car advertising, your mileage will vary. Some daily MUFs will go higher, some lower.

Why do we need to know any of this? Only because we are in the best month of the best year of the current solar cycle. Computers are spitting out predicted MUFs which look like software errors, but they're not. Barring a sustained magnetic storm, the probabilities guarantee some daily observations considerably beating these.

For example, as I write this around noon in late September, the MUF for certain paths into California shows as 39 megahertz (MHz) on the Internet map at http://www.spacew.com/www/realtime.html. Most shortwave (HF) receivers don't even go this high. Right now, there has to be a rural cop somewhere in the US who's hearing Spanish on his police radio, and wondering what the heck is going on. On the job, "skip" is interference. At home, though, it's a hobby.

MUF Signal Weirdness

Interesting things happen when the real-time MUF is hanging around 30 MHz. Combine the low noise floor with the extreme efficiency of near-MUF paths, and the result often appears to defy the laws of physics. Mobile radios, even 1-watt walkie-talkies, become DX machines with near-global coverage.

In radio jargon, it's a long "skip zone." The ionosphere doing the work in this case is as high above the ground as it ever gets, and a single "hop" can exceed 3000 kilometers, or around 1900 miles. The usual multipath or scatter effects are not present, meaning the skip zone is just that — a zone skipped over by the signals. This guarantees that the longest paths open first.

Local transmitters usually contend with objects on the ground, but skip comes down,

unobstructed, from the sky. The result often borders on scary. One minute, you're listening to local cops or CB chatter. The next, you're listening to another continent, often loud enough to capture the channel. Stations pop in and out from one second to the next, sometimes in the middle of conversations.

Unless you've done this before, the signals will astonish you. A distant station which has always sounded terrible on 8 or 13 MHz will suddenly sound local on 26. For example, I just logged WCC, Globe Wireless, banging into Los Angeles on 26143 kilohertz (kHz). I can't hear Globe's California stations around there at all, though they're burning the lower bands. Their east coast transmitter, however, sounds like next door.

Surfing the MUF

Most of the time, hard-core utility types are more into acquiring the content of transmissions than just filling up the DX log. For a lot of people, this changes during a solar peak when all the freak skip is too good to ignore. Some primal, romance-of-radio feeling kicks in, and it's 1921 again.

Experienced listeners know how to surf the MUF, greatly increasing their chances for some gosh-wow receptions. It's a bit like catching tigers. One has to think like the tiger. Understanding the process makes it more likely to be on the right frequency when that one rare station pops in for two minutes.

For example, real-time MUF follows the sun. Look eastward in the morning, and westward in the afternoon. Of course, the transequatorial paths are often in all day.

MUF rises rapidly in the morning, local time, and drops off after dusk. The US usually has a very dynamic period around 1800 – 2000 coordinated universal time (UTC), when both coasts come out of the skip zone. People in California hear paging transmitters in eastern Canada, and New York hears "Long Rifle" training US Marines in California.

As the MUF rises further above the frequency being monitored, this frequency's skip zone shrinks. Closer stations become audible. In the US, one will start to hear the middle of the country, with lots of distinctive Texas and Louisiana accents. Backscat-

ter radar used in the "war on drugs" also follows some of these MUFs, so its distinctive buzz will be around a lot.

These various signs tell the experienced surfer when to try for a certain region, or when to anticipate a higher MUF. Be warned that solar activity is currently so high that following the MUF all the way up will require a wideband radio or a scanner, and many signals will be in frequency modulation (FM). US military and police in the 40-45 MHz region should occasionally be audible, and the amateur band above 50 MHz may open for brief periods.

Here's a loose table of allocations at the high end of HF. Everything up there gets pretty loose anyway, and overlapping is common

❖ What You'll Hear at the Top

I Hear at the Top
Allocation or Use
Standard frequency and time stations
Fixed/mobile (25020-25060 US industrial)
Maritime mobile (ship simplex/duplex)
Fixed/mobile (25120-25320 US industrial;
25210-25330 US land mobile)
Radio astronomy
Broadcasting
Maritime mobile (shore)
Fixed/mobile
Industrial, scientific, medical (271200 \pm /
- 160 kHz)
US Citizen's Band (CB) (Other countries
vary)
"Freeband," unlicensed sidebanders
Fixed, mobile, meteorological aids
Amateur
Amateur propagation beacons
Amateur FM and repeaters
US land mobile (industrial)
US fixed (29810-29880 aero fixed)
US govenment fixed
US fixed (29920-29990 aero fixed)
Fixed/mobile - US government
US land mobile (industrial/land transpor-
tation/public safety)
Fixed/mobile - US government



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Abbreviations used in this column

AFB Air Force Base

Automatic Link Establishment ALE MΑ

Amplitude Modulation Automatic Repeat Request teleprinting system ARO AWACS Airborne Warning And Control System
CAMSLANT Coast Guard Area Master Station, Atlantic Central Intelligence Agency CIA

CIS Commonwealth of Independent States

DoD US Department of Defense

EAM FAX Emergency Action Message

Radiofacsimile

Forward Error Correction teleprinting system **FEC**

Greater Antilles Section **GANTSEC GHFS** Global High Frequency System Identifier/Identification

JSTARS Joint Surveillance Target Attack Radar System

LDOC Long Distance Operational Control MARS Military Affiliate Radio System MFA Ministry of Foreign Affairs Major World Air Route Area MWARA North Atlantic Treaty Organization NATO

Ops Operations

PacTOR Packet Teleprinting Over Radio PAT Priority Air Transport

PR RSA Puerto Rico Republic of South Africa Radio Teletype Special Air Mission RTTY SAM

SITOR Simplex Teleprinting Over Radio

Space Transportation System ("Space Shuttle") STS UHF Ultra High Frequency

United Kingdom UK Unid Unidentified US USS United States United States Ship VIP Very Important Person Aviation Weather observations VOLMET

All transmissions are USB (upper sideband) unless otherwise indicated. All frequencies are in kHz (kilohertz) and all times are UTC (Coordinated Universal Time). "Numbers" stations (encrypted, usually unidentified, broadcasts thought to be intelligence-related) are identified in () with their ENIGMA station designators, as issued by the European Numbers Intelligence Gathering and Monitoring Association.

- VCP-Canadian Coast Guard, Placentia Bay, with information 2598.0 bulletins at 0737. (MADX-MD)
- 2670.0 NMF2-US Coast Guard Group Woods Hole, with information bulletin at 1010. (MADX-MD)
- 2749.0 VCO-Canadian Coast Guard, transmitter at Charlottetown, information bulletins at 0740. (MADX-MD)
- 3456.0 Unid-Unauthorized station, probably on a sea-going tug, leaving New York for a cargo dump at an undisclosed location, using typically nasty language, at 0340. (Ron Perron-MD)
- 4014.0 ZSJ-South African Navy, Silvermine, with clear weather chart in 120/576 FAX at 0500. (Bob Hall-RSA)
- 4271.0 CFH-Canadian Forces, Halifax, NS, with a 120/576 weather chart FAX at 0512. (Hall-RSA)
- CAMSLANT Chesapeake-US Coast Guard, VA, with storm 4317.0 warnings at 2337. (Gary Neal-TX)
- 4369.0 WLO-Mobile Radio, AL, with information broadcast at 1105. (Jay Steimel-AR)
- "O-D-G"-US Navy, setting up a link-11 tracking net, told all 4372.0 players to use data frequency "Cowboy," unknown, at 2151.
- Cuban "Atencion" station (V2), Spanish female AM "num-4461.0 bers," very strong, Sunday at 0544. (Steimel-AR)
- "Coast Guard P-7-P"-US Coast Guard, possible law enforce-4717.0 ment mission, in radio check with Group Key West, at 0135. (Perron-MD)
- Santa Maria-MWARA North Atlantic-A net, getting position 5598.0 from EGY 1127, an Egyptian Air Force C-130, at 0044. (Perron-MD)

- CAMSLANT Chesapeake-US Coast Guard, VA, working 8 5696.0 aircraft searching for a downed Cuban plane with persons in the water, at 1554. CAMSLANT telling Rescue 2139 to contact Group Key West on two numbered frequencies, and VHF channel 23 (157.150) at 1607. X-1-R, telling Rescue 2139 where to drop buoys, at 1637. (Steimel-AR) [The Cubans, who had ditched a small airplane while fleeing the country, were ultimately rescued by a freighter. -Hugh]
- 6449.7 PWX33-Brazilian Navy, Rio, with RTTY (850/75) weather forecasts at 0610. (Hall-RSA)
- 6586.0 Corso 73-Puerto Rico Air National Guard C-130E, giving position to New York at 1920. (Al Stern-FL)
- 6628.0 Reach 5WM-US Air Mobility Command asking Santa Maria control for a descent to join Reach 856T on alternate refueling track Phoenix Banner Bravo, in a possible US Presidential support mission, at 0248. New York-North Atlantic MWARA, taking position from NRN 384, a Netherlands Navy P-3C, at 0214. (Perron-MD)
- 6640.0 Unid-Female passing military-sounding messages in Spanish, mentioned an aerial reconnaissance group and station "YV3EPI" [Venezuelan amateur callsign? - Hugh], at 0301. (Perron-MD)
- 6683.0 Andrews-US Air Force, Andrews AFB, MD, working SAM 375, a Distinguished Visitor flight enroute to Andy, at 0100. (Perron-MD)
- 6694.0 Canadian UN7E-Canadian Forces, patching Rescue Coordination Center via Halifax Military, beginning flare and smoke drop training at 0150. Halifax Military working Canadian Rescue 328, a C-130, and "XXXP," possibly a P-3 aircraft, at 2226 and 2247. (Perron-MD)
- 6724.0 King 1-US Air Force C-130, working DoD Cape Canaveral, USS Underwood, and King 2-3, in STS-106 space shuttle countdown, at 1202. (Stern-FL)
- Offutt-US Air Force Global HF System, Offutt AFB, NE, 6739.0 reading a 30-character EAM with a figure "9" in the 25th character, which messed up the operator because nines never appear in EAMs. Perhaps this was why the op ID'd himself as Andrews, and had to correct it to "Offutt," at 0411. (Jeff Haverlah-TX) [Offutt, McClellan, and Salinas GHFS were all IDing as "Andrews," the control point, until September, when they changed procedure, causing operators to make a lot of these goofs. -Hugh]
- GANTSEC-US Coast Guard Greater Antilles Section, PR, 6815.6 working aircraft CG 2134, who is tracking a target off Puerto Rico, at 2248. (Perron-MD)
- 7508.4 ZSJ-South African Navy, Silvermine, with four FAX weather charts, parallel on 18238.4, at 1210. (Hall-RSA)
- 7725.0 Cuban "Atencion" station (V2), Spanish female AM "numbers," Sunday at 0544. (Steimel-AR)
- 7832.5 AFA1DA-US Air Force MARS, NJ, working AFA2DB, Georgia, in Sitor-B at 1423. (MADX-MD)
- Canberra Control-Australian Navy, working vessel "A-5-Q," 8122.0 at 1056. (Perron-MD)
- LOR-Argentina Navy, Puerto Belgrano, with coastal weather 8303.0 in RTTY (170/75), at 0614. (Hall-RSA)
- 8335.0 DRDI-German Navy submarine, working DHJ59, the headquarters at Wilhelmshaven, voice and RTTY at 2220. (Perron-
- Cuban "Atencion" station (V2), Spanish female AM "num-8636.0 bers," Sunday at 2200. (Steimel-AR)
- 8706.0 Unid-Fishing boat operator off California, using AM to worry about San Pedro fuel prices to a USB station, common unauthorized frequency for these guys, at 1713. (Hugh Stegman-CA)
- 8828.0 Tokyo VOLMET, clearing after Pacific aviation weather broadcasts, at 0944 and 1114. (Steimel-AR)
- 8835.0 Unid-Unauthorized ship station, US-accented speaker grumbling to an Australian-accented male about Customs hassles,

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Utility Logs (continued)

- at 2146. (Perron-MD)
- 8855.0 Piarco Radio-MWARA South America-2 net, working Shark 44, US military, handed him off to San Juan on UHF, at 0024. (Perron-MD)
- 8906.0 New York-MWARA North Atlantic-A net, working HLA 873, who had departed Galeao, Brazil and was requesting relay to Heavy Lift Air Operations. For some reason New York then signed off in Russian, at 2350. (Perron-MD)
- 8974.0 Air Force Sydney-Australian Air Force, working an aircraft with a partial callsign of "378," at 1037. (Perron-MD)
- 8992.0 Salinas-US Air Force Salinas Global, PR, first time anyone ever reported this ID as it used to go by "Andrews" (the control point), with a test count at 0352. (Haverlah-TX) [Jeff wins the award for the first Salinas ID reported to this column. –Hugh] Navy 496-US Navy P-3, with a patch to Jacksonville duty office via Andrews, at 0638. Chalice Foxtrot-US Air Force AWACS, with a patch via Cape Radio to Raymond 24 (Tinker AFB) with a "database problem," at 1530. PAT 139-US Army Priority Air Transport, enroute to Hawaii with a brake problem, getting advice in a patch via Hickam Global, at 1540. (Stern-FL)
- 9141.5 RDU-Alabama National Guard unit, with ALE call to MGM, Montgomery, at 1300. (MADX-MD)
- 9143.5 JUE-ALE identifier of unknown station calling FOE, at 1238. (MADX-MD)
- 10033.0 Gemini 4602-Gemini Air Cargo flight over Mexico, working Miami LDOC, given frequency 6637.0, another LDOC, for a patch at 1005. (Steimel-AR)
- 10096.0 Reach 815T-US Air Mobility Command C-17A, giving position to Recife (Brazil) at 2233. (Perron-MD)
- 10116.9 BAF4-Beijing Meteorological, China, with a FAX upper air chart showing tropical storms, fuzzy reception at 1929. (Day Watson-UK)
- 10204.0 Sophomore-US military, calling Tall Corn, no joy at 0047. (Haverlah-TX)
- 10665.0 CIA "Counting" station (V5), with preamble and test count, tones at 10 after the hour, then 20 minutes of messages, sounded better in AM, several days of the week at 0300. (Larry McDermott-CA) [Actually uses a reduced-carrier uppersideband mode called R3E.—Hugh]
- 10780.0 Cape Radio-US Air Force, Cape Čanaveral, FL, working USS Underwood, King 1-3, and Blue Fin (US Coast Guard), discussing weather before space shuttle STS-106 launch, given a working frequency of 6724, at 0937. Nightstar Alpha-US Air Force E-8C JSTARS, with a patch to radar maintenance via Cape Radio at 1652. Pitt 01-US military, in a patch via Cape Radio to Bluestar (Roosevelt Roads, PR), at 2249. (Stern-FL) Stargate Bravo-US military, calling Fish Man, sent to UHF by Cape Radio, at 1939. (Steimel-AR)
- 11175.0 JU 118-US Navy C-9B, with a patch to maintenance via Salinas GHFS, PR, regarding a problem with the autopilot. The operator identified the station as "Salinas," except at the end when he goofed and said "Andrews," at 1952. LF 293-US Navy P-3C, with a patch via Ascension to their duty office at Jacksonville Naval Air Station, at 2220. (Stern-FL) Rats 69-US military, in a patch via McClellan Global, CA, to March Air Reserve Base, CA. McClellan actually IDed as such, first time this year, at 1701. Offutt-Offutt AFB, NE, working Doom 82, operator kept messing up the ID, at 2243. (Haverlah-TX)
- 11181.0 Jail Bait-US Air Force, in crypto checks with Hickam, tried different modem, still no joy, at 0404. (Stern-FL)
- 11220.0 Andrews-US Air Force, MD, working: Navy 515, a VP-3A, at 2014. (Perron-MD)
- 11244.0 Offutt-Offutt AFB, NE, with a Skyking broadcast, started to ID as Andrews before correcting self, at 0832. (Haverlah-TX) Razor 22-US Air Force E-8C JSTARS surveillance aircraft, working Canadian Forces Trenton Military, who sent him to

- frequency 11214, where repeated calls had no joy, at 2005. (Stern-FL)
- 11418.3 FJY5-Crozet Islands, with several personal e-mail messages back to France, ARO at 0450. (Hall-RSA)
- 11432.0 Cuban "Atencion" station (V2), Spanish female AM "numbers," Friday at 0813. (Steimel-AR)
- 11460.0 SAM 300-US Air Force VIP flight, working Andrews VIP at 2117. (Stern-FL)
- 11590.0 Unid-Female English "numbers" voice, with two null messages, "637 00000" and "647 00000," Monday at 1200. (Steimel-AR)
- 12070.0 Enormity-US military, radio check with Pull Over, at 1647. (Haverlah-TX)
- 13375.0 Cuban "Atencion" station (V2), Spanish female AM "numbers," short transmission ending with "final, final" at 0710. (Steimel-AR)
- 14481.7 RFTJ-French Forces, Dakar, Senegal, with ARQ news in French and traffic for Port Bouet, at 0823. (MADX-MD)
- 14658.4 MTF-British Royal Navy, Falklands Islands, with RTTY (200/75) channel bulletins and testing, at 1740. (Hall-RSA)
- 14776.0 FM6FEM6-ALE ID for Federal Emergency Management Agency Region Six, sounding at 2257. (MADX-MD)
- 14983.2 RBV76-Tashkent Meteorological, CIS, with an extremely clear weather chart in 288/60 FAX, at 1727. (Hall-RSA)
- 15016.0 Offutt-US Air Force GHFS, Offutt AFB, NE, patching Snoop 47, an RC-135, to Snoop Ops. Operator goofed and identified as Andrews, then switched back, at 2055. (Perron-MD)
- 15633.0 HMF 26/35-Korean Central News Agency, Pyongyang, North Korea, with RTTY (250/50) test loop and frequency information, at 0950. (Hall-RSA)
- 16081.7 LKZGCG-Egyptian Embassy, Washington, DC, with ARQ 5letter code groups to MFA, Cairo, at 1332. (MADX-MD)
- 16193.2 RFQP-French Forces, Djibouti, with ARQ at 1651. (Hall-RSA)
- 16347.0 FD18-Unknown French station, testing in RTTY (850/50) at 1708. (Hall-RSA)
- 17338.0 Gdynia Radio-Female ship to shore operator in Poland, speaking heavily accented English, taking phone patches with ships on 16456.0, at 1900. (Steimel-AR)
- 17421.7 DKQLP-Egyptian Embassy, Lagos, Nigeria, with Arabic traffic in ARQ for Cairo, at 1550. (Hall-RSA)
- 17423.7 KDFEPSV-Egyptian MFA, Cairo, calling QQTQ, Belgrade, Yugoslavia, in ARQ at 1544. (Hall-RSA)
- 17441.0 5YE-Nairobi Meteorological, with RTTY (850/100) weather reports at 0600. (Hall-RSA)
- 17940.0 N0102CX-Aircraft asking Houston Radio (LDOC), to pass his new arrival time to his company, at 2213. (Perron-MD)
- 18018.0 Unid-Spanish speaking male, aboard aircraft, giving position to an unheard ground station at 1335. (Perron-MD) [?? This used to be a US Air Force discrete frequency. –Hugh]
- 18334.7 YKJKWL-Egyptian Embassy, Bamako, with Arabic traffic in ARQ for Cairo, at 1536. (Hall-RSA)
- 20975.3 P6Z-French MFA, Paris, with a FEC idler at 1608. (Hall-RSA)
- 23190.0 RFGW-French MFA, Paris, with FEC messages in 5- and 6-letter code groups to L9C, Buenos Aires, also using plenty of those silly French letter substitution codes, at 1650. (Hall-RSA)
- 26241.7 RFVIC-French Navy Le Port, Reunion Islands, with ARQ traffic, at 0748. RFVI-French Navy, Le Port, with ARQ messages in French for Djibouti, at 0814 (Hall-RSA)
- 26431.7 RÜCXONI-Unknown NATO routing indicator, with ARQ message in 5-letter code groups to RFVIC/RFFINTF, French Navy, at 1656. (Hall-RSA)
- 27540.0 "69MU"-Partial callsign of a Costa Rican "freeband" station, calling Europe , at 1718. (Steimel-AR)
- 29945.0 Unid-Sounded like RTTY, 150-hertz shift, latest frequency for this uncopyable net, on for many hours after 1854. (Stegman-CA)



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Digital Utilities -Where to listen and what to log?

common request at our Utility Monitoring Central website concerns where one should listen in order to hear the types of signals that we cover in this column. In an effort to oblige, we'll talk about this subject here, and discuss a few other operating disciplines that can improve your listening experience. After that, try for some of our example stations - the Tunisian Border Guard, the provincial police in Mozambique or the Spanish Police - all audible with the simplest of decoding gear.

Digital Utility Frequencies

The general rule of thumb is to check in frequency ranges allocated to the "fixed" and "mobile" services. The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) recommends and coordinates how each range of frequencies should be used, and individual countries also modify these as required. The US National Telecommunications & Information Agency's Office of Spectrum Management carries a handy wallchart of the US allocations on-line (see Resources).

However, most diplomatic and other interesting users tend to take a rather loose interpretation of these guides. It's common for digital utilities to regard any frequency that's not allocated to powerful broadcast stations as fair game. Even so, and as you might expect for those organizations that want to stay hidden, there are plenty of cases where even this rule is broken. From our years of monitoring, these are the favorite bands that we scan for the majority of our digital utility listening:

13300 to 13600 kHz 3000 to 3500 kHz 3900 to 4100 kHz 13800 to 14000 kHz 14300 to 15100 kHz 4400 to 5900 kHz 6600 to 7000 kHz 15700 to 16450 kHz 7600 to 8300 kHz 17400 to 17550 kHz 8800 to 9300 kHz 18000 to 21000 kHz 10000 to 11600 kHz 22000 to 25000 kHz

12100 to 12300 kHz

For those with receivers capable of listening to very low frequencies, there are also interesting digital things to be heard in the range of 10 to 350 kHz.

Logging Digital Signals

We can't stress enough just how important a good logbook can be. There are plenty of examples that we've chronicled in this column where thorough logbooks coupled with some astute detective work have confirmed the migration of many well known networks from old RTTY-based to modern PSK-based

Here's what we consider to be the minimum information for a useful logbook:

Consider a standard format such as that proposed by the International Standards Organization (ISO) "YYYY-MM-DD" Time signal on Use the 24hr (military) clock and always state UTC Time signal off Use the 24hr (military) clock and always state UTC

Indicate fictitious callsigns with "" or append "***" Callsign User Name of the organization

Indicate town and country, and consider ISO standard country Location

codes for brevity

Signal speed in baud or bps Speed

Shift Shift (Hz) between tones (for MFSK and FSK signals) **Polarity** Reverse (Inverted) or Normal (Erect) tones Number of repetition cycles The contents of the transmission. Be as detailed as you can.

You can see examples of this format in use at Utility Monitoring Central (see Resources). Just follow the "Latest Logbook" link from the home page.

There are plenty of software programs (see previous Computers and Radio columns in this magazine) available to help in the task of logging stations, but it's also easy to "roll your own" using software commonly bundled with most PCs these days. Microsoft's "Access" database or "Excel" spreadsheet will readily make for a very capable and functional logbook. These programs also have so-called "wizards" which make setting up a logbook a snap and other features which make importing and exporting data to other formats quick and simple.

Listening Around

With winter here and a less static-filled ether to enjoy, it's worth checking a few exotic digital stations that you should be able to hear now.

Tunisian Ministry of the Interior

Tunisian Border Guards and Customs units can be heard transmitting a variety of traffic using the ATU-80 Arabic alphabet on the following frequencies:

3331, 3938, 4423, 5476, 5796 and 5831 kHz

Standard RTTY is used at 50 bd with a shift of 170 Hz. The majority of messages concern passport checks and travel visa information from a number of locations throughout the country including Tunis and Monastir. The stations are easily recognizable by their characteristic "kfkfkfkf" lead-in before messages.

Mozambique Police

This network, linking law enforcement agencies in all provincial capital cities, can be heard on the following frequencies:

10445 and 11625 kHz

Standard SITOR-A is used and stations send a three-letter callsign (eg "LCH") in CW and SITOR phasing bursts when idle. SELCALs (selective calling) are in the series SSxx. A mailbox system is used to transfer messages in a similar fashion to that used by maritime stations. Most distinctive, and unusual, is the use of an off-line encryption scheme that mixes letters and numbers, as in the following example:

IIIII bwdjr cg8bi gq9n2 ievri 7lo4g leurk x2vlo dlfza zwlr7 wxr7p 7fnpu drqjw mrjck az4nw ou2rt pnbwx ky7kp jypw7 pjlkk

Operators can often be heard exchanging chatter in Portuguese in between messages.

Spanish Police

This is perhaps one of the most famous and extensive of HF police networks, using a distinctive 400 Hz shift SITOR-A system with inverted tones. The Guardia Civil can be heard both day and night on the following frequencies:

2216.5 2237.5 2490.5 2752.5 3168.5 3219.5 4029.5 4493.0 4562.5 4563.5 4597.5 4751.5 4752.5 4785.5 4911.5 4913.5 5008.5 5287.5 5289.5 5320.5 5321.5 5353.5 5380.5 5381.5 5869.5 5872.5 6797.5 6933.5 8176.5 9179.5 9268.5 9296.5 11107.5 13376.5 14346.5

Messages can be transmitted in either plain language Spanish, in which case standard NATO message formatting is used, or on-line encrypted when the receiver will be told to expect "cifrado." SELCALs are formed from the last four letters of the station's NATO routing indicator. For example SELCAL "TWNA" for Palencia whose routing ID is "RETWNA." Here is an example of the message formatting typical of the GC:

V7C7C 000 IIII rr retwb de retwbm 532 0111620 znr uuuuu r 111620 ene 97 fm iecor manresa to retwb/jezo barcelona

sinclas

motivo: sustraccion matricula: b-1057-kk tipo de vehiculo: turismo documentacion: sustraida marca: ford

nnnn

New ALE Network

Leif Dehio and Day Watson both report an interesting new ALE network operating from Africa on 11200 kHz. Station locations all follow towns along Gabon's railway system, so it's quite possible that this is the organization behind the facilities. The identifiers in use are:

BB113 = Unknown FRANCE = FrancevilleMBOUNGOU = Mboungou MILOLE = MiloloPCBOOUE = BoouéPCOWENDO = OwendoRC1 = Unknown CC11 = Unknown

CC17 = Unknown

Until next month, enjoy the digital DX!

Resources

International Telecomunication Union - http://www.itu.int NTIA - http://www.ntia.doc.gov/osmhome/allochrt.html Utility Monitoring Central - http://www.mindspring.com/~mike.chace



Glenn Hauser, P.O. Box 1684-MT, Enid, OK 73702 E-mail: wghauser@yahoo.com Web: www.angelfire.com/ok/worldofradio

(2 x 11875) 1613

(2 x 11770) 1549

(2 x 11700) 1550

(2 x 11830) 1633 domestic

Silent Shortwave Countries Now Webcasting

23750 R Cairo

23660 R Romania

23400 R Bulgaria

23540 RFE, Morocco

ANDORRA: Radio Andorra broadcasts in Catalan daily 0500-2200 UT on 91.4 and 94.2 MHz plus live audio stream at http://www.andorra.ad/rtvasa/rna/ra/menu.htm Newscasts: 0530-0600 M-F, 0630-0700 Su and Sa, 1100-1130 and 1800-1830 daily (presumably all times one hour later now). Baixada del Molí 22, Andorra la Vella, Andorra. Tel: +376 863777; Fax: +376 864999; E-mail: rtvasa@andorra.ad

BRUNEI: Radio Brunei, broadcasting on FM only, has experimental live audio services via http://www.rtb.gov.bn in Malay daily, Radio Brunei Rangkaian Harmoni at 2200-1600; Radio Brunei Rangkaian Nasional at 2030-1600; the Islam network, Radio Brunei Rangkaian Nur Islam at 2200-1400; the Rainbow network, Radio Brunei Rangkaian Pelangi at 2200-1600; and the Choice Network, multilingual in English, Mandarin, Ghurkali, Radio Brunei Rangkaian Pilihan at 2200-1600. Address: Radio Brunei, Prime Minister's Department, Jalan Stoney, Bandar Seri Begawan BS 8610, Brunei Darussalam (© BBC Monitoring)

Harmonic DX Now At Solar Max

A new listserve has been set up for rapid exchange of harmonic DX info, initially featuring primarily the daily loggings of founder Tim Bucknall in Cheshire. Here are some of his catches in October; B-00 seasonal fundamental changes will have led to different harmonic frequencies in some cases by now. Go to the eGroups site at http://www.egroups.com/invite/harmonics and click the "JOIN" button.

Here we have collected Tim's loggings into descending frequency order. More than one time for a frequency means heard on different days.

35625	R Cairo	(3 x 11875) 1613
35350	V of Russia	(2 x 17675) 1310
30500	R Romania Intl	(2 x 15250) 1100
30450	VOA, Ascension	(2 x 15225) 1609
30210	R Romania	(2 x 15105) 1235 Actualitatsi
29805	ERT, Athens	(3 x 9935) 1536
29721	ERT, Athens	(4 x 7430) 1606
29721	ERT Athens	(4 x 7430) 1502
29565	CRI (tent)	(3 x 9855) 1036 to fade out 1043
29080	R Tirana	(4 x 7270) 1538
28860	R Ukraine Intl	(3 x 9620) 0914
28860	R Ukraine Intl	(3 x 9620) 1046
24150	R Netherlands	(2 x 12075) 1541 via Uzbekistan
23960	Egyptian R	(2 x 11980) 0845 Abu Zabaal

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21630 Belarus R
                         (3 x 7210) 0930, 1102
19920 unID, R Tirana?
                         (2 x 9960) 1740 Carrier off, then on again then off again; the technical
                         difficulties would certainly suggest Tirana. HI!! Very tentative.
19870 RS Makedonias
                         (2 x 9935) 1739
                         (2 x 9900) 1819
19800 R Bulgaria
                         (2 x 9880) 1056*
19760 R Prague
19720 BBC Tashkent
                         (2 x 9860) 1455 Nepalese
19702 R Cairo
                         (2 x 9851) 1554
19700 R Cairo
                         (2 x 9850) 1737, 1608
19690 RFI Allouis
                         (2 x 9845) 1818 Farsi
19630 RDP Portugal
                         (2 x 9815) 0922 S9!!
                         (2 x 9810) 1608 French; 1735; 1811
19620 V of Russia
19550 V of Russia
                         (2 x 9775) 1733 St Pete
19440 R Rossii
                         (2 x 9720) 0925; 1100; 1228
19430 R Tashkent
                         (2 x 9715) 1226
19430 Uzbek R
                         (2 x 9715) 1606
19380 R Thailand
                         (2 x 9690) 1809 Thai to Middle East
19360 RFE/RL
                          (2 x 9680) 1610, presumably from the Sri Lanka as unlikely Biblis would
                         be radiating harmonic
19280 R Ukraine Intl
                         (2 x 9640) 1053; 1101; 1230; 1604
19240 R Ukraine Intl
                         (2 x 9620) 1007; 1101; 1230 Khar'kov
19170 R Tirana
                         (2 x 9585) 1103
19080 Uzbek R
                         (2 x 9540) 1614
19080 R Polonia
                         (2 x 9540) 1110 Russian
18980 R Rossii
                         (2 x 9490) 1626
18980 TWR, Monaco
                         (2 x 9490) 1229
14940 V of Russia
                         (10 x 1494) 1516; 1653 English; 1851 religion from St Petersburg
14760 V of Russia
                         (2 x 7380) 1654 German; 1727; 1848; Yekaterinburg
14710 R Rossii
                         (2 x 7355) 1845; 1945; Samara
14640, 14570, 14550
                         unIDs all at 1716
14540 R Tirana
                         (2 x 7270) 1540
14470
                         unID at 1715
14420 R Tirana
                         (2 x 7210) 1912 French news
14365 V of Russia
                         1920 - English // 1386, 7440 intermod product, fundamental unknown
14320 RFI, unID site
                         (2 x 7110) monitored from 0929, YL DJ in unfamiliar language, wailing
14220 R Ethiopia
                         mx/pops, unfamiliar national anthem at 0955 and sign off at 1000 (very
12385 R Rossii
                          All saints mx 1858, intermod product, fundamental unknown
7950 R Budapest
                         (2 x 3975) 1855
7910 R Taipei Intl
                         (2 x 3955) 1816; 1856 via Skelton
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ALGERIA There was no trace of any SW out of Algiers in mid-October: nothing heard on 7245, 11715, 11750, 15160 (Noël Green, UK, DX Listening Digest) AUSTRALIA RA planned to use 9580 from 0800 instead of 1100 for B-00 in lieu

of 13605 which has serious interference from VOA Tinian on 13610. 9580 might not be brought up until 0805 due to BBC running past 0800 with news (Morrison Hoyle, Victoria, *DXLD*)

RA hopes to be back on in Asia effectively in the New Year; planning not only on SW but also satellite. Priority goes to Asian languages over English; strategy will All times UTC; All frequencies kHz; * before hr = sign on, * after hr = sign off; // = parallel programming; + = continuing but not monitored: 2 x frea = 2nd har-

+ = continuing but not monitored; 2 x freq = 2nd harmonic; B-00=winter season, October 29-March 31; [non] = Broadcast to or for the listed country, but not necessarily originating there; u.o.s. = unless otherwise stated

be shorter broadcasts throughout the day rather than big blocks. Trying to pick best times and sites, taking into account what others are doing. But there will be more hours of English than had been expected. The enhanced service to

Asia will free up some frequencies, allowing service to the Pacific also to be improved (RA Network Manager Jean-Michel Manguy on Feedback) Darwin/Cox Peninsula never mentioned on this occasion, but presumably alluding to relays via Christian Voice (gh)

AUSTRIA ORF B-00 program schedule shows English, daily u.o.s.: 0230, 0737(Sunday 0730),

1000-1045 Sat *My Music*, 1230 Mon-Sat, 1335 Sun, 1430, 1630 WNAm via Sackville, 1930, 2230 Mon-Fri. Frequencies were slow to emerge, but check the usuals such as 9870, 13730. RAl's English broadcast at 1500 and Spanish at 1530 via RCI Sackville 17865 disappeared in Oct, replaced by German, due to a "software bug" – but this went on for weeks. Check what the hour now at 1600 really contains.

Shortly after installing its own new digitally-equipped studios, RAI had a 50 percent staff cut, was moved from its own studios into the home service building involving dismantling and reinstalling its equipment, and is expected to relay mostly domestic programming instead of producing its own. A survey was being taken among German-speaking listeners on whether the *Intermedia* program should be continued.

Due to RAI's own forced cutbacks at the Moosbrunn site, spare time is now brokered by Merlin (gh, *World Of Radio*) From 29 October, only one hour of Austria via Sackville, at 1600-1700 on 17865. The evening bloc 0500-0700 is dropped. Gérald Théoret says that it may not affect RCI's use of Moosbrunn at the outset, though will have to pay for the time that we use over the amount of time exchanged (Bill Westenhaver, RCI)

Budget for next year will be 90 million ATS instead of just 80 million as originally expected, slightly more than half the previous one. This allows RAI to keep all Arabic, Esperanto and Spanish though cut by half. The whole program volume is reduced from around the clock to 14 hours. On shortwave RAI will continue to serve all target areas for "at least one hour per day." During recent weeks RAI moved from the ORF centre into the Argentinierstrasse radiohouse of the domestic services. Absolutely unable to judge whether or not RAI will continue to exist beyond 2001 (RAI director Roland Machatschke, *Intermedia* via Kai Ludwig, *DXLD*)

- CANADA RCI indicated that for the B-00 season, its programming in French would almost double, including a new broadcast to Africa to replace Tropique Nord which was cancelled under the pretext of poor reception (RCI via Jean-Michel Aubier)
- CHINA The Messenger is now a multi-colored 8-pager which may be a nightmare for the elderly and partially sighted to read. Each page has a solid colored background under black type as small as 5 points (World DX Club Contact)

[non] After missing almost a month, CRI relay on 9730 in English at 0400 was back Oct 7, before the usual French Guiana relay was resumed. Unlike the other clients, CRI was not forthcoming about what substitute site was used (gh)

- COSTA RICA On 4260.66, TIRP, Radio Pampa, Nicoya (harmonic 3 x 1420) at 1005 LAm vocal, IDs in passing between songs. Fair to poor signal with het and CW QRM (Mark Mohrmann, VT, DXLD) RFPI resumed 30 kW on 42m, adjusted to 6969 kHz (gh)
- CROATIA We are forced to stop transmission of Radio Croatia as of October 1, 2000. We have done everything in our power to secure the funding and thus continuation. Regrettably, it is the Government's opinion that SW is costly and unnecessary, and must be terminated (Marica Risek, Croatian Radio via EDXP) You would never know it from their press releases but this only concerns time purchased for relays via DTK Germany, e.g. 9925 at 2300-0500; continues to Eu via Croatian transmitters. And several previous English and Spanish newscasts are available on demand from: http://www.hic.hr/radio/Radio_Croatia/index-eng.htm (gh)

Hans Weber reported a couple of years ago the shortwave equipment at Deanovec is two 10 kW transmitters and a single 100 kW unit, while the antenna capacity is limited to two vertical monopoles and a rhombic; the RHO and one of the VM's can handle 100 kW, the other VM 10 kW only. In addition they still have the tiny 2 kW transmitter they used to start the shortwave operations; in previous seasons they used this rig to experiment with 13 metres transmissions. I guess the 100 kW unit is operational on 9830, as this is the strongest signal. [Rather than several 100 kW as claimed] (Kai Ludwig, Germany, *DXLD*)

- **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC** The newspaper *Hoy* reported that from Oct 29 clocks would be set back one hour in keeping with the season, UT-5 instead of UT-4. This had not been done for many years (Dino Bloise, FL, *DXLD*)
- ECUADOR On 4814.9, R. Alli Michic was heard on a visit to Cuenca at 2210-2330, SINPO 44444 with modern religious music in Spanish and dialect, finally ID (Pedro F. Arrunátegui, Ecuador, Chasqui DX)
- ETHIOPIA [non] Voice of Ethiopian Medhin News and Information Board Proudly Announces a Radio Broadcast to Ethiopia and neighboring countries, in Amharic twice weekly every Thursday, and Sunday starting at 7:00 p.m., Ethiopian time, on 15365 kHz [1600 UT via Germany]. Medhin stands for unimpeded expression of ideas, free flow of information, and news via electronic and print media. The radio program will be available via Real Player on Voice of Medhin's Web Page http://www.medhin.com or http:// www.medhin.org Objectives are to counter propaganda of the ruling class which has muffled independent press; contribute to the struggle for multi-party democracy against dictatorial one-party rule; promote unity among all Ethiopians, individual rights, freedom of worship, gender equality; and promote Ethiopia's culture, tradition, folklore, and mores. The present regime is promoting uninhibited destruction of the country's historical relics and artifacts, which must be protected by all Ethiopians. The program is intended to enhance awareness and promote the safe-keep of the nation's irreplaceable wealth. (Medhin website via Nick Grace C., Clandestine Radio Watch) EMDP is a questionable "political party" whose strength appears to be on paper alone. The group produces a monthly magazine, called Medhin as well the website; now they have a radio program. EMDP can be reached at: P. O. Box 13875,

- Silver Spring, MD 20911-3865, USA and/or Medhin Dimts, Postfach 111423, 60049 Frankfurt/Main, Germany (N Grace, *CRW*)
- ICELAND Since 1 Oct, the Icelandic State Broadcasting Corporation (Ríkisútvarpid Reykjavík) via coastal station TFA: Eu 1215-1300 13865, 1755-1830 11402; USA 1410-1440 13860, 1835-1905 13860, 2300-2330 11402. At the end on Sats and Suns there is a special summary of the week's news (Reykjavík Radio via Bernd Trutenau, Lithuania, BC-DX)
- IRAN [non] Radio Iran of Tomorrow in Farsi: 1800-1830 on 5830 via Dushanbé, Tajikistan; 1830-1900 on 12055 via Moldova, QRM Radio Cairo on 12050 (Observer, Bulgaria) Radio Iran of Tomorrow, formerly known as Radio Tomorrow's Iran (Persian: Radio-ye Iran-e Farda) was first observed by BBC Monitoring on 7th December 1998 with announced test transmission. Affiliation unknown; the radio describes itself as "the voice of all of Iran's national and free thinking forces" and says that it supports "the struggle of clerics and religious forces who wish to see the separation of religion and government." Web site gives a US-based fax number [Portland, Oregon area]. It is believed to broadcast via hired transmission facilities in Tajikistan or Moldova. Fax: +1 503 218 9488; E-mail: riot_studio@hotmail.com Web Site: http://www.riot.com (© BBC Monitoring) Website has several programs audio on demand, including future ones (gh)
- ISRAËL Galei Zahal was being heard in European evenings on 2442.2 from mid-September (Alan Pennington, BDXC-UK) At first thought to be spurious or harmonic, but 2442 was actually listed as 4XB.... 1 kW from Tel Aviv in WRTH issues such as 1968 and 1974; so reactivated (Pennington and Wolfgang Büschel)
- KASHMIR Interesting verie letter for V. of Jammu and Kashmir Freedom received from v/s: Islam-ud Din Butt (no title), who was happy to be heard in the US. Says English bulletin and commentary is at 1420-1430 on 5100; actually heard back in April on 5101.23. Returned my \$1; address is Voice of Jammu & Kashmir Freedom Movement, Post Box No. 102 Muzzaffarabad, Azad Kashmir, Pakistan (Terry Palmersheim, WA, hard-core-dx)
 LIBERIA The B-00 schedule includes "KVOH" from this country on 6280 at 2000-
- LIBERIA The B-00 schedule includes "KVOH" from this country on 6280 at 2000-1000, 11530 at 1000-2000, both 10 kW, 75 degrees to Central Africa, designated "A" for alternate usage, to what? (George Jacobs & Associates via Jim Moats) We may recognize these frequencies formerly from alphabetical neighbor LEBANON. Why would anybody voluntarily go into another hellhole like Liberia? Gotta have High Adventure! (gh)
- LIBYA You never know when English will show up on V. of Africa, 17725; one day it was at 0205-0215, excellent signal and modulation for a change (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)
- LITHUANIA R. Vilnius announced that for B-00 English to NAm would move as usual from 9855 to 6120 (via Germany) (Bob Thomas, CT, DXLD) Presumably still at 0030? (gh) Said it would shift to 0130 (Jonathan Murphy, Ireland, via Mike Barraclough)
- MOLDOVA [non] I called the French service; Radio Moldova Int'l stopped all SW broadcasts September 4th. Financial reasons forced them to cancel these broadcasts (RMI couldn't pay for the electric bill). But programmes are now on Internet in 5 languages at http://www.trm.md/radio (Jean-Michel Aubier, France, DXLD) They were via Romania (gh)
- NETHERLANDS Media Network announced Sept 21 it would become a web-only production as from Nov. The last edition of the radio show would air Oct 26. Jonathan Marks explained that since the departure a week before of co-host Diana Janssen, he did not have the time, due to his other responsibilities, to continue producing the program himself at the high standard of the past 20 years. Andy Sennitt will maintain and expand Media Network's web presence via http://www.medianetwork.nl This led to an outcry to "save" the program. We noted that RN is known for canceling its most popular programmes to the consternation of faithful listeners. Some people still have not forgiven them for doing away with The Happy Station. If Jonathan can't produce MN, no one should? What about all the "teamwork" hype of the past 20 years? (gh)
- NIGER La Voix du Sahel heard Sept 30, at 2200 at 9705.6 with pop mx, phone calls from listeners, IDs, all in French; unusual this frequency for the night broadcast. 5020 was silent (Erich Bergmann, Germany, BC-DX)
- NORWAY Frequency manager isn't Mr. Ohta, but Erik Johnsbraten, Norwegian Post and Telecommunications Authority. E-mail: erik.johnsbraten@npt.no (Erik Køie, R. Denmark)
- PERÚ New stations: 5235.5, Radio La Voz de Abancay, Abancay; was first observed Sept 29, during my stay in Abancay. 5235 kHz (0.25 kW) at 0900-2400 daily. The shortwave outlet remains around 5235 kHz, on which Radio Apurímac formerly operated; however, does not use the transmitter of Radio Apurímac. Owned by Lucio Fuentes, the founder and owner of Radio La Voz de Andahuaylas. Address: Av. Noviembre Lote 6, Urbanización Micaela Bastidas, Abancay, Departamento de Apurímac, Perú.

6292.1, Radio Uripa, Uripa, Provincia de Chincheros; was first noted Oct 2 during my stay in Andahuaylas. I visited the station, founded by Lorenzo Alejandro Espinoza, and started the transmissions in May of 1999. The ownership was transferred to the current owner Lorenzo Quispe Nauto on November 15, 1999. The transmitter was made by Lucio Fuentes, the foundor of Radio La Voz de Andahuaylas. Its nominal power is 0.25 kW. The station runs at 1000-1600 and 1900-0100 daily. Address: Avenida Tupac Amaru s/n, Uripa, Provincia de Chincheros, Departamento de Apurímac, Perú (Takayuki Inoue Nózaki, *Relámpago DX*)

Radiodifusión Comercial Naranjos, Rioja, San Martín, 0928-1023, reactivated on 4299.98v. Thanks to Henrik Klemetz for filling in the blanks. Andean vocals, canned ID, announcer with time check and IDs in passing

between songs. Fair signal with ute QRM above and below varying from day to day (Mark Mohrmann, VT, *DXLD*)

unID on 4389 at 1007 with Pentecostal program in Spanish, rapidly fading by 1100 (Dave Hodgson, TN, DXLD) 4388.97, unID at 0849-1030, Andean vocals with good levels but announcer with very low level audio. IDs sounded like "Radio Estéreo"; 0930 Pentecostal Church program, apparently taped. Definite mention of "Bambamarca." Fading with sunrise by 1030 (Mark Mohrmann, VT, DXLD) It is R. Estéreo, 4388.8, at 2308-0110, new from Distrito José Leonardo Ortiz in Chiclayo. Noted with program Magazín 14-90; at 0000 Órbita Deportiva. Later, evangelic program from La Iglesia Pentecostal La Cosecha. Does not mention QTH.

R. Ondas del Pacífico, 6782.5, 2234-2350 Sept 30, new station with Colombian *vallenato* music, 2300 *La Hora de la Cumbia*, sabor tropical. Mentions address in Ayabaca (both: Rafael Rodríguez R., Bogotá, Colombia, *DXLD*)

R. Tacna reactivated 9504.6 after several years, 2230-2300 Spanish, news magazine, jingle, advertisement, several IDs, better in LSB mode due to heavy QRM from R Record (Michael Schnitzer, Germany, hard-core-dx)

R. Fuego, 104.7 FM was heard relayed on 10000-USB at 2200-2348+ probably by pirates or those using this frequency for two-way narco-traffic, despite it being reserved for standard frequency/timesignal stations such as WWV, LOL (Gabriel Iván Barrera, Argentina, *DXLD*)

FCC should protest to ITU and all South American telecom administrations for the "laissez-faire" situation this freq is subject to. There is apparently no control of transceivers allowed to operate in the 10 MHz ham radio band. This is a problem that is happening here for years (Horacio Nigro, Uruguay, DXLD)

SERBIA The change of government was widely speculated to lead to the resumption of R. Yugoslavia on SW, but nothing had happened by mid-October (Ivan Grishin, DXLD) When the RY shortwave facility near Bijeljina was closed, an Independent Media Commission spokesperson told me the reason was that no broadcast facility in Bosnia can be foreign-owned. Even though Miloshevich is gone, the foreign ownership issue remains. Bosnian ownership would have to be established, then it might become a shortwave-site-for-hire. With the financial problems faced by the new Yugo government, I wonder if shortwave broadcasting will be a high priority? (Kim Elliott, swprograms)

Radio Yugoslavia internet audio has been difficult to access and maintain; but there is printed news from their web site (which is also very slow in coming up, but patience is rewarded.) There has been a marked change in tone: http://www.radioyu.org/news.html (John Figliozzi, swprograms)

SOMALIA This page has some interesting history on Radio Hargeisa: http://www.dm.unipi.it/~jama/mypage/idaacadda.html (Hans Johnson, Cumbre DX)

SRI LANKA. SLBC, 11905 in Hindi starts with music at 0020, 0025 ID, 0030 news. ID is "Yeh Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation...". "Yeh" is pronounced [yee]. I have not been able to hear 15425 in English for a few weeks (Liz Cameron, MI, DXLD) 15425 is still very much on. Remember it is only 25 kW compared to Iranawila 15250 and any DW Trinco outlets. SLBC finally dropped SE Asian service at 1030-1130. All Asia English continues and should do so for a few years, still 0025-0430, 1225-1545 6005 (10 kW), 9770 (100 kW running at about 80 kW the Marconi SEAC) and 15425 35 kW VOA Collins (Victor Goonetilleke, SL, DX Listening Digest)

SWEDEN B-00 R. Sweden English to NAm: 1230-1300 18960 280 degrees; 1330-1400 18960 305 (also to As/Au/NZ 85 17870 and 45 9425 or 17505); 1430-1500 18960 320 (also to ME/Au/NZ 70 on 17505); 0230-0300 9495 or 7155 290; 0330-0400 9495 320 (Swopan Chakroborty, Calcutta, India, Oct 9, DX Listening Digest)

TAIWAN RTI will soon add Burmese, and plans to add more languages, especially concerning countries with trade relations. The station is overstaffed at 550 after a merger. Unlike many SW stations, does not plan any cutbacks (Olivia Pan, Spanish section manager, RTI, interviewed by Jeff White, Radio Enlace)

TURKEY Glenn, I returned in Sept 2000 from a two-week holiday in Turkey at the invitation of the TRT/Voice of Turkey. I was one of 10 winners of their 1998 essay competition. The other winners came from the USA, Germany, Macedonia, Egypt, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Iran, among others. There seem to be very few competitions on international radio these days compared with twenty years ago, and I can recommend other listeners who have the time to do the necessary research to enter TRT's competition (it has been running now for 13 years). Our trip took us to Istanbul, Izmir, Anatolya, Ankara and other places.

In Ankara we not only visited the TRT headquarters but stayed there in their own hotel which is part of the TRT building. The TRT building is an enormous place. I was told it is the second biggest building of its kind in the world, after the Pentagon in Washington. It contains a vast number of recording and on-air studios, as well as shops, restaurants, banks and the hotel. There are currently eight staff in the English section, led by the very courteous Osman Erkan, whose voice is well known to TRT listeners. The English staff operate from a single small room consisting of just four desks, a number of old typewriters and a computer.

They have the reputation – understandably from my experience – of being the most liberal and unconventional people on the TRT staff, and they all have a good sense of humour. The studios are cool and well-maintained. Engineering is done from a control room next to each studio; I did not see any self-operated DJ-type facilities. Each control room I saw was equipped with

Revox reel-to-reel recorders. Digital recording, apparently, has not yet reached the TRT.

Overall, my impression is that Turkey is interested in communicating with the outside world, and does so more effectively than, for example, the Greeks do through the Voice of Greece. I was told that the TRT currently broadcasts in 26 different languages, including some esoteric ones (such as Tartar) that are not normally used in international broadcasting. The English staff, in addition to preparing the news, press review and three features daily for overseas listeners, provide 13 newscasts daily for the TRT tourist stations and the TRT 3 domestic service, as well as additional English features for the tourist stations that are not heard on the overseas service.

I criticised some aspects of the station's news and current affairs coverage and got the impression that the small staff who prepare these programmes work under great pressure. The Voice of Turkey has introduced new programmes for the season. One that grabbed my attention is *Wonders of the World*, looking at the seven wonders of the ancient world, Mondays at about 15 minutes into the transmission; *Letterbox* is every Wednesday, and *DX Corner* every second Saturday (Roger Tidy, UK, *DX Listening Digest*)

U S A WRMI began testing new 15725 Oct 10, weekday daytimes only, as early as 1300, late as 2200, mainly for the apocalyptic Christian Media Network 1600-2100, filling with classical music elsewhen. Tho beamed right at us, the signal was weaker than WYFR, WWCR and other US SW stations near the same frequency not beamed at us. But at least no Cuban jamming yet, a clear frequency except for Pakistan English news het from 15725.5 at 1559-1613 (gh, OK) WRMI 15725 test 50 kW, 317 degrees to zones 2, 3 (Observer, Bulgaria) 15725 is a bad choice for DXers as this will block Congo's Radio Télé-Liberté which has been using this channel after 1800 (Hans Johnson, Cumbre DX) But has anybody heard that lately? (gh)

Mi Seferino, a monthly program for the past sesquiyear on KUNM Albuquerque, is adding SW via WRMI and IRRS Italy. Producer and host Lorenzo Domínguez says it is about the Conversos or Crypto-Jews. Conversos were Spanish and Portuguese Jews forced to convert to Catholicism during the Spanish Inquisition. Crypto-Jews, many of whom were the first Spanish settlers in what is now New Mexico, were those who continued their Jewish traditions in secret. Domínguez only recently uncovered his own family's Jewish roots (Tema Milstein, The New Mexico Jewish Link) See website http://www.miseferino.com - Host is Levi ben Macario on WRMI, 7385: UT Sat 0600-0630 following the 2nd, 4th, and if any, 5th Fridays (alternating with Seldom Heard Radio), repeated Saturdays 2200 on 9955 (WRMI)

Seldom Heard Radio is my new show on WRMI, 7385, 0600-0630 UT Sats [after first and 3rd Fridays]. Focus on obscure folk/folk-rock/psychedelic music from the Americas, Europe and around the globe (Frederick Moe, Seldom Heard Radio, 36 West Main Street, Warner NH 03278, *DXLD*)

The Scream of the Butterfly is joining WBCQ from November, UT Sats 0000 on 7415; continues on WRMI, 7385, UT Sundays 0500. Occasional European relays via Radio 510/IRRS in Milan, Italy will also continue. We QSL 100 percent of the postal reception reports we receive: The Scream of the Butterfly, POBox 1994, Rancho Cordova, CA 95741-1994. Please enclose \$1 U.S. or 2 IRCs for postage and printing. Our email address is: johnnyrockin@hotmail.com web page: http://www.geocities.com/SunsetStrip/Garage/9861/ (Johnny Rockin', SOTB, DX Listening Digest)

WBCQ has new edresss allanhw@hotmail.com WBCQ2 moves from 9330 to 9335-CUSB, to get further away from WGTG 9320 (Allan Weiner, WBCQ) Unfortunately, North Korea is already on 9335 (gh)

KPM556, the studio feeder in Portland OR, heard worldwide via 25950 kHz, now has a webpage and even streaming audio per a message from Larry Holtz, Dir. of Engineering. This is quite unique for a cue station (Guido Schotmans, Benelux DX Club) When we don't have a particular studio program on the feeder, we send a reggae music format with the KPM556 ID. The stream can be heard at http://209.20.223.122index.htm (Holtz, Portland Entercom Communcations kGON/KKSN FM-AM/KRSK/KNRK/KFXX via Schotmans, BDXC) 100 watts AM, and sometimes uses 25870, 25910 or 26100 (from above website)

Since some potential contributors do not want to be identified or on mailing lists, WWCR will accept donations confidentially to support particular programs or WWCR in general (WWCR announcements)

UZBEKISTAN New E-Mail address of Radio Tashkent International: uzradio@uzpak.uz (Fritz Andorf via Volker Willschrey, Saar, DXLD)

VANUATU R. Vanuatu reactivated 7260 from Oct, clear in Europe; 0615 religious program in English, Bislama, 0631 interval signal of drums and chirping yellow bird, ID and news in Bislama, fading by 0700 (Michael Schnitzer, Germany, hard-core-dx)

VENEZUELA On 4830.1, Radio Táchira at 0331, back on in Oct after a few months absence. ID and LA pop music. Excellent signal as usual (Mark Mohrmann,

Venezuelan government station list shows 4730 for projected station: (Henrik Klemetz) Thaïs White is awaiting construction permit for her SW station at San Juan de los Cayos, Falcón state; at first will be 1 kW with a dipole, possibly expanded later adding AM or FM. Expects to promote tourism among the Venezuelans. The town has no radio station of its own, so may also provide local service. Expect everyone there will buy a shortwave radio when it comes on. Mostly local productions with very small staff. Her father is very involved in the project (Jeff White, HCJB DX Partyline)

Until the Next, Best of DX and 73 de Glenn!

Broadcast Logs

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0000 UTC on 9755

CANADA: Radio Canada Int'l. Station ID to report on Gulf Air; 0400-6145; 0500-6145. (William McGuire, Cheverly, MD) *Maple Leaf Mailbag* show with an appeal for pen pals, 2140-17870; *As it Happens* investigation into polluted drinking water at Walkerton. (Bob Fraser, Cohasset, MA)

0000 UTC on 9540

SPAIN: Radio Exterior Espana. Spanish service with pop music, ID and interview segment; 0100-11680 Spanish national to regional news; 0300-6125. (McGuire, MD) 0036-0042+ on 6055. Feature on cataloging monasteries and 18th Spanish music. (Harold Frodge, Midland, MI)

0016 UTC on 6673.2

PERU: Radio Super Nueva Sensacion. Spanish announcer's newscast, regional music program and time checks. Station audible on subsequent monitoring 2329-0020+. Peruvian's audible; Radio Ancash 1042-4992, slight drift from reported 4991. Radio Ondas del Rio Mayo 2335-0015+on 6797.7; Radio La Voz de Campesino 2340-6956.6; Radio Villa Rica 2358-4888.8 kHz. (Roger Chambers, Utica, NY/ODXA)

0046 UTC on 6956.6

PERU: Radio Voz de los Campesinos. Spanish. Music and "Atencion" to station identification at 0048. Mentions of city Huarmaca to brief IDs before 0100. Chit-chatty announcer, signal better than recent nights. (Frodge, MI)

0540 UTC on 7210.27

BENIN: Radio du Benin. Fair signal at tune-in for vernacular and French talk. Good signal for subsequent rechecks the following day at 0601, noted "Radio National du Benin" ID. (Walter Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, Canada/Hard Core DX)

0950 UTC on 4926.4

BOLIVIA: Radio San Miguel. Spanish male/female duo with mentions of city Riberalta and regional music. Signal peaked at only fair quality at 0950. (Chambers, NY/ODXA) Bolivia's La Cruz del Sur 1002-1022, 4876.74. Long talk in presumed Aymara of possibly a religious text. Canned announcements and one mention of "Panorama de Bolivia" promo. Fair signal, fading. Noted earlier 0940 on 4876.78 with co-channel interferences. (Dave Valko, PA/Cumbre)

1054 UTC on 6130

LAOS: Lao National Radio. Laotian. Southeastern Asian pop music to beautiful instrumental music to 1100. Time tips signal and lady's voice over at 1104. Continued Asian pops to seven Big Ben bells and mention of Laos. Fair signal with co-channel interference on 6125. (Valko, PA/Cumbre)

1059 UTC on 4753.3

INDONESIA: (Sulawesi) RRI-Ujung Padang. Very poor signal quality for repeated interval signal of eight tone chime melody, time tips and national anthem. (Chambers, NY/Cumbre) Indo's RRI-Jambi 1105-4925, Koran recitations to brief announcer segment. Good signal, best Indo this morning. RRI-Merauke 1109-3905, with nice orchestral version of Padamu Negeritheme song. Announcer's talk with ID into lively Indo pops. Weak signal quality. (Valko, PA/Cumbre)

1106 UTC on 3905

PAPUA NEW GUINEA: Radio New Ireland. Regional news and announcements to closing station identification. Fanfare music into children's chorus, mixing with Indo's **RRI-Merauke**. (Valko, PA/ *Cumbre*)

1108 UTC on 15425

PHILIPPINES: Voice of America relay. *VOA News Now* program discussing United States and China's relations, fair signal quality. (David Ross, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada)

1126 UTC on 4890

PAPUA NEW GUINEA: NBC. Music from Tom Jones followed by a local time check, "26 minutes past 9" at 1126 UTC to "National Broadcasting Corporation" at 1200. (Ross, CAN)

1140 UTC on 9580

AUSTRALIA: Radio. *Life Matters* on the benefits of socializing. (Fraser, MA; McGuire, MD)

1150 UTC on 18960

SWEDEN: Radio. *Money Matters* program on economics. (Fraser, MA) 0200-9495. (McGuire, MD; Frank Hillton, Charleston, SC)

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1200 UTC on 15240

NORTHERN MARIANAS: Voice of America relay. *VOA News Now* in progress at tune-in to Summary of World News, good quality. (Ross, CAN)

1400 UTC on 15575

CYPRUS: BBC World Service relay. World news covering African and Middle East topics, fair quality. (Ross, CAN)

1430 UTC on 17525

SLOVAKIA: Adventist World Radio. Interval signal to sign-on identification. Newscast into religious programming. (Ross, CAN)

1505 UTC on 15205

GREECE: Voice Of America relay. Report and interviews on the India-Pakistan nuclear arms discussion. (Fraser, MA)

1557 UTC on 15100.84

PAKISTAN: Radio. Interval signal, signal pause, peppy instrumental music. Station ID, fanfare into English newscast. Would have been a nice signal except for interference from 15105. (Valko, PA)

1613 UTC on 17850

FRANCE: Radio France Int'l. Sports wrap-up segment, SIO=343. (Frodge, MI) 1632-17605// Arts in France on reggae music. (Fraser, MA)

1809 UTC on 11990

KUWAIT: Radio. Islam-Religion of Truth, Rights & Justice segment to 1815. Personalities & Culture of Kuwait to pop music program. Station identification between program segments. (Frodge, MI) 0305-11675 regional news and feature on Israel. (McGuire, MD) 0507-15110 with discussion on Arabic music, fair-good signal quality. (Salmaniw, CAN/HCDX)

1941 UTC on 21815

COSTA RICA: Radio for Peace Int'l. *Making Contact* program on Colombian drug trade. Station ID 1945 during program pause. SIO=153, // 15048.9. (Frodge, MI)

2022 UTC on 17580

GERMANY; Swiss Radio Int'l relay. Swiss Scene show with letterbox segment. Info on SRI schedule and program shuffling to ID. German service 2030. (Frodge, MI)

2157 UTC on 10000

PERU: Radio Fuego. Spanish. Local ads with echo effects, lots of cumbian music. Station ID, "esta escuchando Radio Fuego, 104.7 FM," at 2215 "el mejor equipo de Radio Fuego...todos los fines de semana." Station ID jingles at 2229, time check, "35 minutos para las 6 de la tarde," to phone chats. Clear ID repeats several times, station heard only on USB, SINPO=33443. (Gabriel Ivan Barrera, Argentina/*Cumbre* DX)

2212 UTC on 13640

TURKEY: Voice of. *The Chosen Land* program's focus on scuba diving and sailing. (Fraser, MA; Hilton, SC)

2120 UTC on 7415

USA: WBCQ. *Jean Shepard Show* to ID spots 2129-2130. Item on *Genesis Project* to classic rock music segment, SIO+554. (Frodge, MI)

2212 ÚTC on 7125

GUINEA: Radio Guinienne. French. Station correspondent report to occasional bumper music. Local items 2235 including names, phone numbers. Music segments 2252-2257+, "Guinee" once to "RG" identification as signal steadily improved. (Frodge, MI) 0605-7125 very good reception for French programming. (Salmaniw, CAN/HCDX)

2234 UTC on 4770

NIGERIA: Radio Nigeria/Kaduna. Jazz music program to 2259, followed by national anthem and sign-off identification. (Ross, CAN) **Voice of Nigeria** 0604-7255, very good signal quality at tune-in. (Salmaniw, CAN/HCDX)

2300 UTC on 5990

CHINA: China Radio Int'l. Interval signal to station ID. World news, including focus on Vietnam and Yugoslavia, jamming interference noted. (McGuire, MD)

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South American website directory

Now that winter DX is here, and you're raking in the new stations, consider the following South American websites. Most websites are Spanish or Portuguese, and contain links for Real or Archived Audio, email reporting and station information. Special thanks to Dave White for his confirmation of current websites.

For postal suggestions and reporting formats please refer to this month's *South American QSL Address Guide*. Good luck on your south of the border trek!

ARGENTINA

(Buenos Aires AM & FM stations that are carried on various shortwave feeder frequencies)

Radio Rivadavia <www.rivadavia.sion.com>
Radio Continental <www.continental.com.ar>
Radio Diez <www.radio10am.com.ar>

BOLIVIA

Radio Mosoj Chaski http:///tunari.socs.uts.edu.au/rmc

Radio Panamericana < www.panamericana-bolivia.com>
Radio P10 XII < www.caritas.se/radiopio>

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Rádio Bras/Radio Nacional Amazonia < www.radiobras.gov.br>
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Rádio Difusora Poços Caldas < www.pocos-net.com.br/difusora/>
Rádio Educadora < www.educadora.com.br>
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CHILE

Radio Voz Cristiana < www.vozcristiana.com>

PARAGUAY

Radio Guaira http://demasiado.com/radioguaira

PERU

Radio Comas http://homepages.go.com/homepages/r/a/d/radio_cantogrande/>

Radio La Oroya http://come.to/RadioLaOroya
Radio Luz y Sonido www.viaexpresa.com.pe/santarosa

URUGUAY

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ALBANIA

Radio Tirana International, 7160 kHz. Full data card unsigned. Received in 71 days for an English report and two IRCs. Station address: External Service, Rruga Ismail Qemali Nr. 11, Tirana, Albania. (Ken Maltz, Syosset, NY)

ARGENTINA

Radiodiffusión Argentina al Exterior/RAE, 11710 kHz. Full data RAE logo card unsigned, plus toursit brochure. Received in 58 days for an English report, mint stamps and two souvenir postcards. Station address: Casilla de Correos 555, Correo Central, 1000 Buenos Aires, Argentina. (Sam Wright, Biloxi, MS)

BOLIVIA

La Cruz del Sur, 4875 kHz. No data Spanish reply on station letterhead, signed by Reyes Baltazar Quisepe-Director. Received in seven weeks for a Spanish report, one U.S. dollar and souvenir postcard. Station address: Casilla 1408, La Paz, Bolivia. (Tom Banks, Dallas, TX)

Radio Emisora Malluka (ex. Radio A.N.D.E.S.). Nice long letter from E. Freddy Mamani Machaca-Jefe de prensa y programacion. Letter included details about the station, programming and the local area, plus a photograph of *Hotel de Sal*, a rather lonely looking building in the middle of what appears to be a dry salt lake. Received in just under three months for a Spanish report, one U.S. dollar and a souvenir postcard. Station address: La Voz de los Trabajadores Campesino del Altiplano, Casilla 16, Uyuni, Potos, Bolivia. (Richard Jary, Australia/*Cumbre DX*)

Radio Santa Cruz, 6135 kHz. Personal Spanish reply on station letterhead, signed by P. Francisco Flores, SJ, Director General. Received in 26 days for a Spanish report, five U.S. dollars, packet of pumpkin seeds, Christmas ornament and ten U.S. stamps. Station address: Casilla 672, Santa Cruz, Bolivia. (George Glotzbach, NM/Cumbre DX) Pumpkin seeds?! Now that's a new one!

Radio Yura, 4716.8 kHz. Email reception report verified via email from Mr. Rolando Cueto F. <canal18@cedro.pts.entelnet.bo> in four days. Station address: Yura, Provincia Quijarro, Departamento de Postosi, Bolivia. (Daniele Canonico, Muggio, Switzerland)

BRAZII

Emissora Rural-A Voz do São Francisco, 4945 kHz. Full data station card signed by Lourinaldo Cavalcanti Andrade, plus station sticker. Received in two months for a Portuguese follow-up report and two mint stamps. Station address: Caixa Postal 8, 56300-000 Petrolina, Pernambuco, Brasil. (Frank Hillton, Charleston, SC)

Rádio Cultura São Paulo, 9615 kHz. Partial data verification on station letterhead, with illegible signature. Received in six weeks for a Portuguese report, two mint stamps, tourist brochures, and an address label (used for reply). Station address: Rua Cenno Sbrighi 378, 05099-900 São Paulo, São Paulo, Brasil. (Duane Hadley, Bristol, TN)

Rádio Gaucha, 11915 kHz. Full data station logo card unsigned, plus a station info sheet. Received in two weeks for a Portuguese follow-up report, and two mint stamps. Station address: Avenida Ipiranga 1075 2° andar, Azenha, 90169-900 Porto Alegre Rio Grande Do Sul, Brasil. (Hadley, TN)

CHILE

Radio Esperanza, 6090 kHz. Full data QSL card, transmission guide and personal letter. Received in 48 days for a Spanish report, one U.S. dollar. Station address: Casilla 830, Temuco, Chile. (Manuel Mendez, Spain/*Cumbre DX*)

MEDIUM WAVE

KSDP, 830 kHz AM. Full data QSL card, plus personal letter from Ronald Schoedel III-General Manager, along with my prepared AM QSL form letter confirmed, 'fridge magnet, and sticker. Station noted as 1kW. Verie signer is a DXer and welcomes reports, and is currently "clearing the files" of all unanswered reports. Station address: Aleutian Peninsula Broadcasting Inc., P.O. Box 328, San Point, AK 99661 USA. Alaska QSL #51. (Patrick Martin, Rancho Mirage, CA)

KTSM, 1380 kHz AM. Friendly letter from Cat Simon-Program Director. Received in eight days after AM follow-up report. Station address: 801 N. Oregon St., El Paso, TX 79902. (Martin, CA)

KTXX, 1460 kHz AM. Full data letter signed by Jim Hilliker-PSA Director, plus coverage map. Received for an AM report. Station address: 903 N. Main St., Salinas, CA 93906. (Martin, CA)

KYCW, 1090 kHz AM. Verification letter signed by Becky Brenner-Operations Manager. Received in eight days for an AM report. Station address: 1000 Dexter Avenue North, Seattle, WA 98108. (Martin, CA)

2NTC, 1701 kHz AM. QSL verification on station letterhead signed by Sid A. Merhi-Director. Station address: 5 Macquarie St., Parramatta, NSW 2150, Australia. Aussie QSL # 86. (Martin, CA)

PERU

Radio Santa Rosa, 6045 kHz. Date only QSL card unsigned. Received in one month for a Spanish report, one U.S. dollar and a souvenir postcard. Email: <santarosa@viaexpresa.com.pe> Station address: Jirón Camaná 170, Casilla 4451, Lima 1, Peru). (Jary, AUS/Cumbre DX)

SEYCHELLES

FEBA Radio, 15535 kHz. Full data card signed by Doreen Dugathe-QSL Secretary. Received in 102 days for an online reception report at; <www.feba.org.uk>. Email reply that my report was being forwarded to the Seychelles FEBA office. Station address: P.O. Box 234, Mahé, Seychelles, Indian Ocean. (Randy Stewart, Battlefield, MO)



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SHORTWAVE GUIDE

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Convert your time to UTC.

Broadcast time on À and time off Á are expressed in Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) – the time at the 0 meridian near Greenwich, England. To translate your local time into UTC, first convert your local time to 24-hour format, then add (during Standard Time) 5, 6, 7, or 8 hours for Eastern, Central, Mountain or Pacific Times, respectively. Eastern, Central, and Pacific Times are already converted to UTC for you at the top of each page.

Note that all *dates*, as well as times, are in UTC; for example, a show which might air at 0030 UTC *Sunday* will be heard on *Saturday* evening in America (in other words, 7:30 pm Eastern, 6:30 pm Central, etc.).

Find the station you want to hear.

Look at the page which corresponds to the time you will be listening. On the top half of the page English broadcasts are listed by UTC $\underline{\text{time on}}\ \hat{A}$, then alphabetically by $\underline{\text{country}}\ \hat{A}$, followed by the $\underline{\text{station name}}\ \hat{A}$. (If the station name is the same as the country, we don't repeat it, e.g., "Vanuatu, Radio" [Vanuatu].)

If a broadcast is not daily, the days of broadcast Ä will appear in the column following the time of broadcast, using the following codes:

Day Codes

s Sunday m Monday t Tuesday w Wednesday h Thursday f Friday

a Saturday mon monthly

In the same column Ä, <u>irregular broadcasts</u> are indicated "tent" and programming which includes languages besides English are coded "vl" (<u>various languages</u>).

Choose the most promising frequencies for the time, location and conditions.

The <u>frequencies</u> Å follow to the right of the station listing; all frequencies are listed in kilohertz (kHz). Not all listed stations will be heard from your location and virtually none of them will be heard all the time on all frequencies.

Shortwave broadcast stations change some of their frequencies at least twice a year, in April and October, to adapt to seasonal conditions. But they can also change in response to short-term conditions, interference, equipment problems, etc. Our frequency manager coordinates published station schedules with confirmations and reports from her monitoring

team and MT readers to make the Shortwave Guide up-to-date as of one week before publication.

To help you find the most promising signal for your location, immediately following each frequency we've included information on the <u>target area</u> Æ of the broadcast. Signals beamed toward your area will generally be easier to hear than those beamed elsewhere, even though the latter will often still be audible.

Target Areas

af: Africa

al: alternate frequency (occasional

use only) am: The Americas

as: Asia au: Australia

ca: Central America

do: domestic broadcast

eu: Europe
me: Middle East
na: North America
om: omnidirectional
pa: Pacific
sa: South America

va: various

Consult the propagation charts.

To further help you find a strong signal, we've included a chart on page 64 which takes into account conditions affecting the audibility of shortwave broadcasts. Simply pick out the section of the chart for the region in which you live and find the line for the region in which the station you want to hear is located. The chart indicates the optimum frequencies (in megahertz-MHz) for a given time in UTC. (Users outside North America can use the same procedure in reverse to find best reception from North America.)

Choose a program or station you want to hear

Some selected programs appear on the lower half of the page for prime listening hours – space does not permit 24-hour listings. Our program manager changes the stations and programming featured each month to reflect the variety available on shortwave, though BBC programs are almost always included.

Occasionally program listings will be followed by "See X 0000." This information indicates that the program is a rerun, and refers to a previous summary of the program's content. The capital letter stands for a day of the week, using the same day codes as in the frequency listing (see above), and the four digits represent a time in UTC.

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

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New Programs from RCI

Radio Canada International has introduced new weekday and weekend programs.

Weekdays: Canada Today is broadcast "live" throughout the day (0500, 0600, 1500, 1630, 1800, 2100, 0200) and hosted, depending on edition, by Lynn Desjardins, David Blair or Jim Craig. Canada Today replaces Spectrum, which was taped as one daily program for all regions, and includes a longer newscast, more correspondents' reports as well as business, sports and a daily press review. It is designed to accomodate more immediate and up-to-theminute content than was possible under Spectrum's old format.

Weekends: Canada Review (A 1530, 1830, 2130 S 0230; S 1500, 1800, 2100, M 0200) has replaced RCI's former weekend programs like Venture Canada and Arts Canada with a more general magazine style production that will incorporate some of the elements of those single topic programs, as well as other material reflecting Canadian lifestyles and attitudes. Canada Newsweek (A 0500, 0600, 1500, 1630, 1800, 2100, S 0200) looks back at the last seven days.

RCI continues to broadcast popular CBC programs such as *As It Happens*, *Sunday Edition*, *Global Village* and *Quirks and Quarks* for its international audience. RCI's *Maple Leaf Mailbag* also continues in its regular slots (*S* 0530, 0600, 1530, 1630, 1830, 2130, M 0230).

Consolidated BBCWS Schedules

This month, we attempt to untangle for you the enigma that is the program schedules of the **BBC World Service**.

Seasonal time changes seem to set off a semiannual scramble making **BBC** schedules a lot like Forrest Gump's box of chocolates – you never know what you're going to get. Some programs undergo a one-hour adjustment that appears designed to keep a program at the same local time in the target area. But there are also other seemingly incongruous changes and some programs just stay where they are relative to UTC. This inconsistent approach makes it harder for the listener to be sure of what's on when, hardly an inspiration to loyalty. DEUTIENCIEC

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	0100		Australia, ABC/Katherine	5025do					0100		UK, Global Kitchen/Merlin	3955eu	6180eu	7165eu	
	0100	vl	Australia, ABC/Tennant Creek	4910do					0100	t	UK, Global Kitchen/Merlin	6170eu			
			Australia, Christian Voice	9875va	15165va	17645va		0000	0100		USA, Armed Forces Radio	4278va	4319va	4993va	5765va
0000	0100		Australia, Radio	9660pa	12080va	15240pa	17580pa					6350va	6458va	6847va	10320va
				17750as	17795va	21740va						10940va	12579va	12689va	13362va
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			Cambodia, National Radio Of	11940as				0000			USA, KAIJ Dallas TX	5755va			
0000	0100		Canada, CBC Northern Service	9625do					0100		USA, KTBN Salt Lake City UT	7510na			
0000	0100		Canada, CFRX Toronto ON	6070do				0000	0100		USA, KWHR Naalehu HI	17510as			
0000	0100		Canada, CFVP Calgary AB	6030do				0000	0030		USA, Voice of America	7215as	9770as	11760as	15185as
0000	0100		Canada, CKZN St John's NF	6160do								15290as	17735as	17820as	
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SELECTED PROGRAMS

Sundays

0000	BBC (Am)	News Summary							
0000	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	World Briefing							
0000	BBC (S As)	World Briefing							
0001	BBC (Am)	Play of the Week (contemporary radio drama)							
0020	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Sports Roundup							
0020	BBC (S As)	Sports Roundup							
0030	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Agenda (contemporary ideas/trends)							
0030	BBC (S As)	Agenda (contemporary ideas/trends)							
Mo	Mondays								

0000	BBC (Am)	World Briefing
0000	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	World Briefing
0000	BBC (S As)	World Briefing
0020	BBC (Am)	Sports Roundup
0020	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Sports Roundup
0020	BBC (S As)	Sports Roundup
0030	BBC (Am)	The World Today (international news/analysis)
0030	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	World Business Review (the week's financial news)
0030	BBC (S As)	The World Today (international news/analysis)
0045	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Letter from America (commentary by Alistair Cooke)

Tuesdays

0000	BBC (Am)	News
0000	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	World Briefing
0000	BBC (S As)	World Briefing
0005	BBC (Am)	Outlook (topical magazine)
0020	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Sports Roundup
0020	BBC (S As)	Sports Roundup
0030	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	World Business Report
0030	BBC (S As)	The World Today (international news/analysi
0045	BBC (Am)	Patterns of Faith (moral/spiritual reflections)
0045	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Analysis (of a current event/issue)

Wednesdays

0000	RRC (AM)	News							
0000	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	World Briefing							
0000	BBC (S As)	World Briefing							
0005	BBC (Am)	Outlook (topical magazine)							
0020	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Sports Roundup							
0020	BBC (S As)	Sports Roundup							
0030	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	World Business Report							
0030	BBC (S As)	The World Today (international news/analysis)							
0045	BBC (Am)	Plain English (on language)							
0045	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Analysis (of a current event/issue)							
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Thursdays 0000 BBC (Am)

0000	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	World Briefing
0000	BBC (S As)	World Briefing
0005	BBC (Am)	Outlook (topical magazine)
0020	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Sports Roundup
0020	BBC (S As)	Sports Roundup
0030	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	World Business Report
0030	BBC (S As)	The World Today (international news/analysis)
0045	BBC (Am)	Heart and Soul (questions on faith/religion)
0045	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	From Our Own Correspondent (background to the new

Fridays

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0000	BBC (Am)	News
0000	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	World Briefing
0000	BBC (S As)	World Briefing
0005	BBC (Am)	Outlook (topical magazine)
0020	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Sports Roundup
0020	BBC (S As)	Sports Roundup
0030	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	World Business Report
0030	BBC (S As)	The World Today (international news/analysis)
0045	BBC (Am)	Best of 'The Edge' (youth magazine)
0045	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Analysis (of a current event/issue)

Saturdays

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0000	BBC (Am)	News
0000	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	World Briefing
0000	BBC (S As)	World Briefing
0005	BBC (Am)	Outlook (topical magazine)
0020	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Sports Roundup
0020	BBC (S As)	Sports Roundup
0030	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	World Business Report
0030	BBC (S As)	Science in Action (topical research reports)
0045	BBC (Am)	Body and Mind (health/medicine)
0045	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Analysis (of a current event/issue)

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0700-0900 9780 250 34 Europe
0700-1100 11755 100 228 S. Pacific
1100-1630 12005 50 43 Caribbean
1100-1630 15115 100 160/353 N/S America
1900-2200 17660 100 41 Europe
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0100	0200 0127		Cuba, Radio Havana Czech Rep, Radio Prague Intl	6000na 6200na	9820na 7345na	11705na		0100 0100	0200 0200		USA, WBCQ Monticello ME USA, WEWN Birmingham AL	7415na 5825na	9335na 7425na	9355na	
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	0200 0200		Spain, R Exterior Espana Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka BC Corp	6055na 4940do	6005as	6075as	9770as	0130 0130	0200 0200		USA, VOA Special English USA, Voice of America	7405am 5995am	9775am 6130ca	13740am 9455af	
0100	0200		Switzerland, Swiss R International	15425as I 9905am				0140	0200		Vatican City, Vatican Radio	9650au	12055au		

SELECTED PROGRAMS

Sundays

0100 BBC (Am) 0100 BBC (E As/Pq/Au) The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0100 BBC (S As) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0130 BBC (Am) Reporting Religion 0130 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) In Praise of God (services of worship) 0130 BBC (S As) Assignment (a current topical issue) Letter From America (commentary by Alistair Cooke) 0145 BBC (Am)

Mondays

0100 BBC (Am) 0100 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0100 BBC (S As) 0105 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0145 BBC (E As/Pa/Au)

The World Today (international news/analysis) News

The World Today (international news/analysis) Talking Point (global current affairs phone-in) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

Tuesdays

0100 BBC (Am) News 0100 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0100 BBC (S As) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0105 BBC (Am) Meridian-Ideas (cultural trends/thought) 0105 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0130 BBC (Am) 0145 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) Outlook (topical magazine) Music Mix (showcasing popular music genres)
Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

Wednesdays

0100 BBC (Am) News 0100 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) News 0100 BBC (S As) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0105 BBC (Am) Meridian-Screen (international film/cinema) 0105 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) Outlook (topical magazine) 0130 BBC (Am) UK Top 20 (British top hits)

0145 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

Thursdays

0100 BBC (Am) News 0100 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0100 BBC (S As) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0105 BBC (Am) Meridian-Music (classical music trends) 0105 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) Outlook (topical magazine) 0130 BBC (Am) Westway (drama serial) 0145 BBC (Am) UK Album Chart (top selling British CDs) 0145 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

Fridays

0100 BBC (Am) News 0100 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0100 BBC (S As) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0105 BBC (Am) 0105 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) Meridian-Writing (examining contemporary literature) Outlook (topical magazine) World Music (showcasing global music trends)
Off the Shelf (serialized book readings) 0130 BBC (Am) 0145 BBC (E As/Pa/Au)

Sai	turdays	
0100	BBC (Am)	News
0100	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	News
0100	BBC (S As)	The World Today (international news/analysis)
0105	BBC (Am)	Meridian-Masterpiece (showcasing best performances)
0105	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Outlook (topical magazine)
0130	BBC (Am)	Westway (drama serial)
0130	BBC (S As)	People and Politics (the week in Parliament)
0145	BBC (Am)	Music X-Press (trend-setting popular music)
0145	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Waveguide (international broadcasting report)[monthly
0145	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Write On (listener letters/comments)[exc. one wk.]

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0200 030		Australia, Radio	9660pa 15515va	12080va 17580pa	15240pa 17750as	15415as	0200	0300		Taiwan, R Taiwan International	5950na 15345as	9680na	11740as	11825pa
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0200 023 0200 030 0200 030 0200 030	0 0 0	Hungary, Radio Budapest Kenya, Kenya BC Corp Liberia, Voice of Hope Malaysia, Radio	9835na 4935do 6280af 7295do				0200 0200 0200 0200	0300 0300 0300 0300		USA, WINB Red Lion PA USA, WJCR Upton KY USA, WRMI Miami FL USA, WSHB Cypress Crk SC	12160am 7490va 7385am 9430na	13595as 7535na		
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0200 030	00	Russia, Voice of Russia WS	17790pa 9665na 15595na	11825na 17595na	11990na	12045as	0250 0250 0257	0300 0300 0300		Vatican City, Vatican Radio Zambia, National BC Corp Malawi, Malawi BC Corp	7305am 6165do 3380do	9605am 6265do		

SELECTED PROGRAMS

Sundays

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0200	BBC (Am)	The World Today (int'l news/analysis)			
0200	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	The World Today (int'l news/analysis)			
0200	BBC (ME)	The World Today (int'l news/analysis)			
0200	BBC (E Af)	The World Today (int'l news/analysis)			
0200	BBC (S As)	The World Today (int'l news/analysis)			
0230	BBC (Am)	From Our Own Correspondent (background to the			
		news)			
0230	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	From Our Own Correspondent			
0230	BBC (E Af)	From Our Own Correspondent			
0230	BBC (ME)	From Our Own Correspondent			
0230	BBC (S As)	From Our Own Correspondent			
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Mondays

0200	BBC (Am)	News				
0200	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	News				
0200	BBC (ME)	News				
0200	BBC (E Af)	News				
0200	BBC (S As)	The World Today (int'l news/analysis)				
0205	BBC (Am)	Wright Around the World (pop music/dedications w,				
		Steve Wright)				
0205	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Meridian-Ideas (cultural trends/thought)				
0205	BBC (ME)	Wright Around the World				
0205	BBC (E Af)	Wright Around the World				
0230	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Music Mix (showcasing popular music genres)				
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Tuesdays

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0200	BBC (Am)
0200	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)
0200	BBC (ME)
0200	BBC (E Af)
0200	BBC (S As)
0205	BBC (Am)
0205	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)
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Wednesdays

0200	BBC (Am)	News
0200	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	News
0200	BBC (ME)	News
0200	BBC (E Af)	News
0200	BBC (S As)	The World Today (international news/analysis)
0205	BBC (Am)	Science View (astronomy/discoveries/computing)
0205	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Meridian-Music (classical music trends)
0205	BBC (ME)	Science View (astronomy/discoveries/computing)
0205	BBC (E Af)	Science View (astronomy/discoveries/computing)
0230	BBC (Am)	Focus on Faith (religious issues)
0230	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Westway (drama serial)
0230	BBC (ME)	Focus on Faith (religious issues)
0230	BBC (E Af)	Focus on Faith (religious issues)
0245	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	UK Album Chart (top selling British CDs)

Thursdays

0200	BBC (Am)	News
0200	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	News
0200	BBC (ME)	News
0200	BBC (E Af)	News
0200	BBC (S As)	The World Today (int'l news/analysis)
0205	BBC (Am)	Focus on Football (global soccer)[1st wk.]
0205	BBC (Am)	Sports International [exc. 1st wk.]
0205	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Meridian-Writing (contemporary literature)
0205	BBC (ME)	Focus on Football (global soccer)[1st wk.]
0205	BBC (ME)	Sports International [exc. 1st wk.]
0205	BBC (E Af)	Focus on Football (global soccer)[1st wk.]
0205	BBC (E Af)	Sports International [exc. 1st wk.]
0230	BBC (Am)	Pick of the World (World Service highlights)
0230	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	World Music (showcasing global music trends
0230	BBC (ME)	Pick of the World (World Service highlights)
0230	BBC (E Af)	Pick of the World (World Service highlights)

Fridays

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0200	BBC (Am)	News
0200	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	News
0200	BBC (ME)	News
0200	BBC (E Af)	News
0200	BBC (S As)	The World Today (int'l news/analysis)

0205	BBC (Am)	One Planet (development & the environment)
0205	BBC (ME)	One Planet (development & the environment)
0205	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Meridian-Masterpiece (best performances)
0205	BBC (E Af)	One Planet (development & the environment)
0230	BBC (Am)	People and Places (forum for global views/experiences)
0230	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Westway (drama serial)
0230	BBC (ME)	People and Places (forum for global views/experiences)
0230	BBC (E Af)	People and Places (forum for global views/experiences)
0245	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Music X-Press (trend-setting popular music)

Saturdays

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0230	BBC (E Af)	Essential Guide (aspects of our world)
0230	BBC (S As)	Global Business (about int'l business)

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B-00 English: 0400-0430 NAm 11985 (via Bonaire) 0800-0830 Eu 5985 1130-1200 EAs 9865 (via Russia) 1230-1300 Eu 9925 1830-1900 Eu 5910 9925 13710 2230-2300 NAm 13660 (Bonaire)

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0300	0400 0400	vl	Australia, ABC/Tennant Creek Australia, Christian Voice	4910do 9865va	15185va	17645va	1680va	0300 0300	0330 0400		Thailand, Radio Uganda, Radio	9655am 4976do	11905am 5026do	15395na	
0300	0400		Australia, Radio	9660pa 15515va	12080va 17580pa	15240pa 17750as	5415as 1725pa	0300	0400		UK, BBC World Service 6175na	3255af 6190af	5975na 6195eu	6005af 7120af	6135am 7160af
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0300	0400 0400		Canada, CFVP Calgary AB Canada, CKZN St John's NF	6030do 6160do							6350va 12579va	6458va 12689va	6847va 13362va	10320va 16847va	10940va
0300 0300	0400 0356		Canada, CKZU Vancouver BC	6160do 9690na				0300 0300	0400 0330		USA, KAIJ Dallas TX USA, KJES Vado NM	5755va 7555na	1000210	1001710	
0300	0400		China China Radio International Costa Rica, Faro del Caribe	5054ca	6175ca	9644ca		0300	0400		USA, KTBN Salt Lake City UT	7510na			
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0300	0400		Costa Rica, University Network	5030am 11870va	6150va 13749af	7375na	9725na	0300	0400		USA, Voice of America 7290af	6080af 7340af	6115af 9575af	7105af 9885af	7275af 17685af
0300 0300	0400 0400		Cuba, Radio Havana Ecuador, HCJB	6000na 9745na	9820na 11840na	11705na 21455usb		0300 0300	0400 0400		USA, WBCQ Monticello ME USA, WEWN Birmingham AL	7415na 5825va	9335na 7425na		
0300	0330		Egypt, Radio Cairo	9475am	11040na	21433USD		0300	0400		USA, WGTG McCaysville GA	5085va	6890am		
0300 0300	0400 0345	a/monthly	Finland, Scandv Weekend Radio Germany, Deutsche Welle	11720va 6045na	9535na	9640na	9700na	0300 0300	0400 0400		USA, WHRA Greenbush ME USA, WHRI Noblesville IN	7580na 7315sa			
0300	0400	vl	Guatemala, Radio Cultural	11750na 3300do	5955do			0300 0300	0400 0400		USA, WINB, Red Lion PA USA, WJCR Upton KY	12160am 7490va	13595as		
0300	0400 0400	sm	Guyana, Voice of Honduras, Radio Luz y Vida	3289do 3250ca	5949do			0300 0300	0400 0400		USA, WRMI Miami FL USA, WSHB Cypress Crk SC	7385am 7535eu			
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0300	0400 0400		Liberia, Voice of Hope Malaysia, Radio	6280af 7295do				0300 0300	0400 0310	vl	Vanuatu, Radio Vatican City, Vatican Radio	3945do 7305am	4960do 9605am	7260do	
0300	0400 0400		Malaysia, Voice of Islam Namibia, Namibian BC Corp	6175as 3270af	9750as 3289af	15295as		0300 0300	0400 0400	vl	Zambia, Christian Voice Zambia, National BC Corp	6065do 6165do	6265do		
0300	0400		New Zealand, R New Zealand Int	17675pa	320701			0300	0400 0340	vl	Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe BC Corp	4828do	6045do		
0300 0300	0400 0400	vl	Oman, Radio Sultanate of Papua New Guinea, NBC	15355va 9675do	11880do			0310 0330	0400		Vatican City, Vatican Radio Albania, R Tirana International	9660af 6115na	7160na		
0300	0400		Russia, Voice of Russia WS	9665na 17595na	11990na	13690na	5595na	0330 0330	0400 0345	vl	Hungary, Radio Budapest Libya, Voice of Africa	9835na 11815af	17725af		
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Sundays

0300	BBC (AII)	World Briefing
0320	BBC (All)	Sports Roundup
0330	BBC (Am/ME/S As)	Science in Action (topical research reports)
0330	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Science in Action (topical research reports)
0330	BBC (E Af)	Postmark Africa (expert answers to questions
0330	BBC (W&S Af)	Postmark Africa (expert answers to questions

Mondays

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0300	BBC (Am/E Af/ME)	World Briefing
0300	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	News
0300	BBC (S As)	News
0300	BBC (W&S Af)	World Briefing
0305	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	One Planet (development & the environment)
0305	BBC (S As)	Talking Point (global current affairs)
0320	BBC (Am/E Af/ME)	Sports Roundup
0320	BBC (W&S Af)	Sports Roundup
0330	BBC (Am)	Assignment (a current topical issue)
0330	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	People and Places (global views/experiences)
0330	BBC (E Af)	Network Africa (morning magazine)
0330	BBC (ME)	World Business Review (financial news)
0330	BBC (W&S Af)	Network Africa (morning magazine)
0345	BBC (ME)	Waveguide (int'l broadcasting report)
0345	BBC (ME)	Write On (letters/comments)[exc. one wk.]
0345	BBC (S As)	Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)
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Tuesdays

0300	BBC (Am/E At/ME)
0300	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)
0300	BBC (S As)
0300	BBC (W&S Af)
0305	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)
0305	BBC (S As)
0320	BBC (Am/E Af/ME)
0320	BBC (W&S Af)
0330	BBC (Am)
0330	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)
0330	BBC (E Af)
0330	BBC (ME)

On the Shell (sendized book reddings)
World Briefing
News
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News
World Briefing
Discovery (scientific ideas/trends/research)
Outlook (topical magazine)
Sports Roundup
Sports Roundup
World Business Report
Essential Guide (aspects of our world)
Network Africa (morning magazine)
World Business Report

Wednesdays									
0345	BBC (S As)	Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)							
0345	BBC (ME)	Analysis (of a current event/issue)							
0345	BBC (Am)	Analysis (of a current event/issue)							
0330	BBC (W&S Af)	Network Africa (morning magazine)							

0300 BBC (Am/F Af/MF) World Briefing

0300	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	News
0300	BBC (S As)	News
0300	BBC (W&Ś Af)	World Briefing
0305	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Health Matters (medical news/keeping fit)
0305	BBC (S As)	Outlook (topical magazine)
0320	BBC (Am/E Af/ME)	Sports Roundup
0320	BBC (W&S Af)	Sports Roundup
0330	BBC (Am)	World Business Report
0330	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Everywoman (international women's magazine
0330	BBC (E Af)	Network Africa (morning magazine)
0330	BBC (ME)	World Business Report
0330	BBC (W&S Af)	Network Africa (morning magazine)
0345	BBC (Am/ME)	Analysis (of a current event/issue)
0345	BBC (S As)	Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)
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Thursdays

0300	BBC (Am/E Af/ME)	World Briefing
0300	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	News
0300	BBC (S As)	News
0300	BBC (W&Ś Af)	World Briefing
0305	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Science View (astronomy/discoveries/computing)
0305	BBC (S As)	Outlook (topical magazine)
0300	BBC (W&S Af)	World Briefing
0320	BBC (Am/E Af/ME)	Sports Roundup
0320	BBC (W&S Af)	Sports Roundup
0330	BBC (Am)	World Business Report
0330	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Focus on Faith (religious issues)
0330	BBC (E Af)	Network Africa (morning magazine)
0330	BBC (ME)	World Business Report
0330	BBC (W&S Af)	Network Africa (morning magazine)
0345	BBC (Am)	From Our Own Correspondent
0345	BBC (ME)	From Our Own Correspondent
0345	BBC (S As)	Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

Fridays

0300	BBC (Am/E Af/ME)	World Briefing
0300	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	News
0300	BBC (S As)	News
0300	BBC (W&S Af)	World Briefing
0305	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Focus on Football (global soccer)[1st wk.]
0305	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Sports International (anthologies)[exc. 1st
0305	BBC (S As)	Outlook (topical magazine)
0300	BBC (W&S Af)	World Briefing
0320	BBC (Am/E Af/ME)	Sports Roundup
0320	BBC (W&S Af)	Sports Roundup
0330	BBC (Am)	World Business Report
0330	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Pick of the World (World Service highlights)
0330	BBC (E Af)	Network Africa (morning magazine)
0330	BBC (ME)	World Business Report
0330	BBC (W&S Af)	Network Africa (morning magazine)
0345	BBC (Am)	Analysis (of a current event/issue)
0345	BBC (ME)	Analysis (of a current event/issue)
0345	BBC (S As)	Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

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0300	BBC (Am/E Af/ME)	World Briefing
0300		News
0300		News
0300		World Briefing
0305		Wright Around the World (pop music/dedications)
0305	BBC (S As)	Outlook (topical magazine)
0300	BBC (W&S Af)	World Briefing
0320	BBC (Am/E Af/ME)	Sports Roundup
0320	BBC (W&S Af)	Sports Roundup
0330	BBC (Am)	World Business Report
0330	BBC (E Af)	African Quiz (current events test)[1st wk.]
0330	BBC (E Af)	This Week and Africa [exc. 1st wk.]
0330	BBC (ME)	World Business Report
0330	BBC (W&S Af)	African Quiz (current events test)[1st wk.]
0330	BBC (W&S Af)	This Week and Africa [exc. 1st wk.]
0345	BBC (Am)	Analysis (of a current event/issue)
0345	BBC (ME)	Analysis (of a current event/issue)
0345	BBC (S As)	Waveguide (int'l broadcasting report)[monthly]
0345		Write On (listener letters/comments)[exc. one wk.]

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	400	0429	as	Canada, R Canada International	11835me	11975me	15215me		0400	0500		USA, KTBN Salt Lake City UT	7510na			
	400	0456		China China Radio International	9730na				0400	0500		USA, KVOH Los Angeles CA	9975am			
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C	400	0500		Costa Rica, University Network	5030am	6150va	7375na	9725na	0400	0500		USA, Voice of America	6080af	7170va	7265af	7275af
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0	400	0500		Cuba, Radio Havana	6000na	9820na	11705na						15205va	17725af		
	400	0427		Czech Rep, Radio Prague Intl	7345na	7385na	9435na		0400	0500		USA, WBCQ Monticello ME	7415na	9335na		
		0500		Ecuador, HCJB	9745na	11840na	21455usb		0400	0500		USA, WEWN Birmingham AL	5825va	7425na		
	400	0445		Germany, Deutsche Welle	7280af	9565af	11935af	11965af	0400	0500		USA, WGTG McCaysville GA	5085va	6890am		
		0500	vl	Guatemala, Radio Cultural	3300do	5955do			0400	0500		USA, WHRA Greenbush ME	7580na			
	400	0500		Guyana, Voice of	3289do	5949do			0400	0500		USA, WHRI Noblesville IN	7315sa			
		0500	irreg	Iraq, Radio Iraq International	9684va	11787va			0400	0500		USA, WINB Red Lion PA	12160am	10505		
		0500		Kenya, Kenya BC Corp	4935do				0400	0500 0500		USA, WJCR Upton KY	7490va	13595as		
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		0500		Liberia, Voice of Hope	6280af	5005			0400	0500		USA, WRMI Miami FL USA, WSHB Cypress Crk SC	7535eu	12020af		
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	400	0500		Malaysia, Radio Malaysia, Voice of Islam	729500 6175as	9750as	15295as		0400	0500		USA, WYJC Newport NC	2390am	3215am	5070am	5935am
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	400	0500		New Zealand, R New Zealand Int	17675pa	3207ui			0400		vl	Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe BC Corp	4828do	6045do		
	400	0500		New Zealand, ZLXA	3935do	7290do			0425	0440		Italy, RAI International	5975af	7150af		
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		0430	vl	Nigeria, Radio/Kaduna	6090do	7275do			0430	0457		Czech Rep, Radio Prague Intl	9865va	11600va		
	400	0500	vl	Papua New Guinea, NBC	9675do	11880do			0430	0500		Netherlands, Radio	6165na	9590na		
		0456		Romania, R Romania International	9510na	11885na	11940na	15105na	0430	0500	vl	Nigeria, Radio/Ibadan	6050do			
				,	15335as	17745as			0430	0500	vl	Nigeria, Radio/Kaduna	4770do	6090do	7275do	9570do
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	400	0430		S Africa, Channel Africa	5955af				0430	0500		Swaziland, Trans World Radio	3200af	4775af		
	400	0500		Singapore R Corp of Singapore	6150do				0445	0500		USA, WYFR Okeechobee FL	9985eu			
	400	0500	vl/as	Solomon Islands, SIBC	5020do				0455	0500		Israel, Kol Israel	7410va	9435va	15640va	17545va
C	400	0500	vl/a	Solomon Islands, SIBC	9545do											

SELECTED PROGRAMS

Sundays

0400 BBC (All) 0430 BBC (Am) 0430 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) The World Today (international news/analysis) Global Business (about international business) Omnibus (documentary) 0430 BBC (E Af) African Perspective (opinion/comment/discussion) 0430 BBC (ME) In Praise of God (services of worship) In Praise of God (services of worship) 0430 BBC (S As) 0430 BBC (W&S Af) African Perspective (opinion/comment/discussion)

Mondays

0400 BBC (Am/E Af/ME) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0400 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0400 BBC (S As) 0400 BBC (W&S Af) 0405 BBC (S As) News The World Today (international news/analysis) Meridian-Ideas (cultural trends/thought) 0430 BBC (Am) Westway Omnibus (two episodes of drama serial set in West London medical center) 0430 BBC (E Af) Network Africa (morning magazine) 0430 BBC (S As) Music Mix (showcasing popular music genres) 0430 BBC (W&S Af) Network Africa (morning magazine) BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0450 Sports Roundup 0450 BBC (ME) Sports Roundun

Tuesdays 0400 BBC (Am) 0400 BBC (E As/Pα/Au) 0400 BBC (E Af) The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis 0400 BBC (ME) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0400 BBC (S As) 0400 BBC (W&S Af) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0405 BBC (Am) 0405 BBC (S As) Omnibus (documentaries) Meridian-Screen (international film/cinema)
Body and Mind (health/medicine) BBC (S As) 0430 BBC (Am) 0430 BBC (E Af) Network Africa (morning magazine) 0430 BBC (S As) UK Top 20 (British top hits) BBC (W&S Af) 0430 Network Africa (morning magazine) BBC (Am) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings) 0445

0450 RRC (F As/Pn/Au) Sports Roundup 0450 BBC (MF) Sports Roundun

Wednesdays

0400 BBC (Am) 0400 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) The World Today (international news/analysis) BBC (E Af) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0400 0400 BBC (ME) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0400 BBC (S As) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0400 BBC (W&S Af) 0405 BBC (Am) The Alternative ("leading edge" music w/John Peel or Steve Lamaca) 0405 BBC (S As) Meridian-Music (classical music trends) 0430 BBC (Am) Patterns of Faith (moral/spiritual reflections) 0430 BBC (E Af) Network Africa (morning magazine) 0430 BBC (S As) Westway (drama serial) 0430 BBC (W&S Af) Network Africa (morning magazine) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings) 0445 BBC (Am) UK Album Chart (top selling British CDs) 0445 BBC (S As) 0450 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) Sports Roundun 0450 BBC (ME) Sports Roundup

Thursdays 0400 BBC (Am) News 0400 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0400 BBC (E Af) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0400 BBC (ME) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0400 BBC (S As) 0400 BBC (W&S Af) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0405 BBC (Am) Greenfield Collection (classical music requests) (S As) BBC (Am) Meridian-Writing (examining contemporary literature)
Plain English (on language) 0405 0430 0430 BBC (E Af) Network Africa (morning magazine) 0430 BBC (S As) Westway (drama serial) 0430 BBC (S As) World Music (showcasing global music trends) 0430 BBC (W&S Af) Network Africa (morning magazine) 0445 BBC (Am) 0450 BBC (E As/Pq/Au) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

Snorts Roundin

0450 BBC (ME)

Fridays

0400 BBC (Am) News 0400 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0400 BBC (E Af) 0400 BBC (ME) 0400 BBC (S As) 0400 BBC (W&S Af) 0405 BBC (Am) 0405 BBC (S As) 0430 BBC (Am) 0430 BBC (E Af) 0430 BBC (W&S Af) 0445 BBC (Am) 0445 BBC (S As) 0450 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0450 BBC (ME)

Saturdays

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Sports Roundup

The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis

The World Today (international news/analysis) Jazzmatazz (jazz magazine) Meridian-Masterpiece (best performances) Heart and Soul (questions on faith/religion) Network Africa (morning magazine) Network Africa (morning magazine) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings) Music X-Press (trend-setting popular music) Sports Roundup Sports Roundup

The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis The World Today (international news/analysis) Panel game/Quiz show (rotating series) Waveguide (international broadcasting report)[monthly] Write On (listener letters/comments)[exc. one wk.] Assignment (a current topical issue) Talkabout Africa (discussion of African events/issues)

Assignment (a current topical issue) African Quiz (current events test)[1st wk.] This Week and Africa (events review)[exc. 1st wk.] Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

TWAVE GUIDE

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0500 0500	0600 0530	vl	Australia, ABC/Tennant Creek Australia, Christian Voice	4910do 9865va	15185va	17645va	21680va	0500 0500	0530 0530		S Africa, Adventist World Radio S Africa, Channel Africa	5960af 11720af	6015af		
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0500 0500 0500	0515 0600 0600		Canada, CBC Northern Service Canada, CFRX Toronto ON Canada, CFVP Calgary AB	9625do 6070do 6030do				0500 0500 0500	0530 0530 0600		Switzerland, Swiss R International Uganda, Radio UK, BBC World Service	9655eu 4976do 3255af	5026do 5975na	6005af	6175am
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0500 0500	0600 0515		Guyana, Voice of Israel, Kol Israel	3289do 7410va	5949do 9435va	15640va	17545va	0500	0600		7195af USA, WBCQ Monticello ME	11965me 7415na	12080af 9330na	13670af	15205va
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0500 0500 0500	0600 0600 0600	vl	Malawi, Malawi BC Corp Malaysia, Radio Malaysia, RTM Sarawak	3380do 7295do 7160do	5995do			0500 0500 0500	0600 0600 0505	sm	USA, WSHB Cypress Crk SC USA, WTJC Newport NC USA, WWCR Nashville TN	7535eu 9370na 3210am	15195af		
0500 0500	0600 0530	twhfa	Malaysia, Voice of Islam Mexico, R Mexico International	6175as 9705am	9750as	15295as		0500 0500	0505 0600	twhfa	USA, WWCR Nashville TN USA, WWCR Nashville TN	3215am 2390am	3210am	5070am	5935am
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SELECTED PROGRAMS

Sundays

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The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis)
The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) Wright Around the World (pop music/dedications) Reporting Religion Reporting Religion Art Beat (the arts in Africa) Global Business (about international business) Reporting Religion Art Beat (the arts in Africa)

Mondays

0500 BBC (Am) 0500 BBC (Eu/N Af) 0500 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0500 BBC (E Af) 0500 BBC (ME) 0500 BBC (S As) 0500 BBC (W&S Af) 0505 BBC (S As) 0530 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0530 BBC (E Af) 0530 BBC (S As) 0530 BBC (W&S Af) 0545 BBC (E As/Pa/Au)

The World Today (international news/analysis)
The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) News The World Today (international news/analysis) One Planet (development and the environment) Body and Mind (health/medicine) Network Africa (morning magazine) People and Places (forum for global views) Network Africa (morning magazine) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

The World Today (international news/analysis)

The World Today (international news/analysis)

Tuesdays

0500 BBC (Am) The World Today (international news/analysis) 0500 BBC (Eu/N Af) BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0500 BBC (E Af) 0500 0500 BBC (ME) 0500 BBC (S As) 0500 BBC (W&S Af) 0505 BBC (S As) 0530 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0530 BBC (E Af) RRC (S As) 0530 BBC (W&S Af) 0530 0545 BBC (E As/Pa/Au)

The World Today (international news/analysis) Discovery (scientific ideas/trends/research) Patterns of Faith (moral/spiritual reflections) Network Africa (morning magazine) Essential Guide (backgrounding aspects of our world) Network Africa (morning magazine) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

The World Today (international news/analysis)

News

Wednesdays

BBC (Am/E Af/ME) 0500 BBC (Eu/N Af) 0500 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0050 BBC (S As) 0500 BBC (W&S Af) 0505 BBC (S As) 0530 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0530 BBC (E Af) 0530 BBC (S As) 0530 BBC (W&S Af) 0545 BBC (E As/Pa/Au)

Thursdays

0500 BBC (Eu/N Af) BBC (E As/Pa/Au) BBC (E Af) 0500 0500 0500 BBC (ME) BBC (S As) 0500 BBC (W&S Af) 0505 BBC (S As) 0530 BBC (E As/Pa/Au)

The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) News

The World Today (international news/analysis) Health Matters (medical news/keeping fit)
Plain English (on language) Network Africa (morning magazine) Everywoman (international women's magazine) Network Africa (morning magazine) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis The World Today (international news/analysis) News The World Today (international news/analysis)

Science View (astronomy/discoveries/computing) Heart and Soul (questions on faith/religion)

Network Africa (morning magazine) 0530 BBC (E Af) 0530 BBC (S As) Focus on Faith (religious issues) BBC (W&S Af) 0530 Network Africa (morning magazine) 0545 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

Fridays

0500 BBC (Am/E Af/ME) 0500 BBC (Eu/N Af) 0500 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0500 BBC (S As) 0500 BBC (W&S Af) 0505 BBC (S As) 0505 BBC (S As) BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0530 BBC (E Af) 0530 0530 BBC (S As) 0530 BBC (W&S Af) 0545 BBC (E As/Pa/Au)

The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis)

The World Today (international news/analysis) Focus on Football (global soccer)[1st wk.] Sports International (anthologies) [exc. 1st wk.] Best of 'The Edge' (youth magazine) Network Africa (morning magazine) Pick of the World (World Service) Network Africa (morning magazine) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

Saturdays

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The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis)
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The World Today (international news/analysis) Wright Around the World (pop music/dedications) Weekend (magazine)

Arts in Action (global arts magazine)
African Quiz (current events test)[1st wk.] This Week and Africa (regional events review)[exc.

Arts in Action (global arts magazine) Talkabout Africa (discussion of African events/issues)

DRTWAVE GUIDE

Frequencies

0600 0600 0600 0600 0600 0600 0600	0700 0700 0700 0700 0700 0700 0700 070	vl vl vl vl	Anguilla, Caribbean Beacon Australia, ABC/Alice Springs Australia, ABC/Katherine Australia, ABC/Tennant Creek Australia, Radio Botswana, Radio Cameroon, RTV/Yaounde Canada, CFRX Toronto ON	6090am 4835do 5025do 4910do 9660as 15515va 7255do 4850do 6070do	12080va 17580pa 9600do	15240pa 17750as 7255do	15415as 21725pa	0600 0600 0600 0600 0600	0700 0700 0630 0700 0700		Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka BC Corp Swaziland, Trans World Radio Switzerland, Swiss R International Uganda, Radio UK, BBC World Service 7160af 11765af 15310as 15575af	6130do 4775af 9655eu 5026do 6055af 9410eu 11940af 15360as 17640af	6100af 7110do 6175am 9580va 11940af 15420af 17760as	9500af 7196do 6190af 9740as 11955pa 15485eu 17790as	6195eu 11760me 12095eu 15565as 17885af
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0600 0600 0600	0700 0645 0700 0700	a/monthly	Finland, Scandv Weekend Radio Germany, Deutsche Welle Germany, Deutsche Welle Germany, Voice of Hope	11720va 7225af 6140eu 21590me	9565af	11785af		0600	0630		USA, Voice of America 7195af 12080af USA, WBCQ Monticello ME	5970af 9680af 13670af 7415na	6035af 11805af 15205va	6080af 11965me	7170va 11995af
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0600 0600 0600 0600	0700 0700 0700 0700		Malaysia, Radio Malaysia, RTM Sarawak Malaysia, Voice of Myanmar, Radio	7295do 7160do 6175as 9730do	9750as	15295as		0600 0600 0600 0600	0620 0700 0700 0700	vl	Vatican City, Vatican Radio Yemen, Rep of Yemen Radio Zambia, Christian Voice Zambia, National BC Corp	4005eu 9779me 9865do 6165do	5880eu 6265do	7250eu	
0600 0600 0600	0700 0700 0700 0700	vl vl	Namibia, Namibian BC Corp New Zealand, ZLXA Nigeria, Radio/Enugu Nigeria, Radio/Ibadan	3270af 3935do 6025do 6050do	3289af 7290do			0600 0610 0615 0630	0700 0620 0630 0645	vl mtwhf a	Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe BC Corp Greece, Voice of S. Africa, Trans World Radio Finland, YLE/R Finland	5975do 7475va 11640af 15250va	6045do 9375va 21670va	9420va	15630va
0600 0600 0600	0700 0700	vl vl vl vl	Nigeria, Radio/Kaduna Nigeria, Radio/Lagos Nigeria, Voice of Papua New Guinea, NBC	4770do 3326do 7255af 9675do	6090do 4990do 15120af 11880do	7275do	9570do	0630 0630 0630	0700 0700 0700	mtwhfa	Georgia, Georgian Radio UK, BBC World Service USA, Voice of America	11805eu 6175am 7170va 15205va	9680af	11805af	11965me
0600 0600 0600	0641 0700 0630 0615		Romania, R Romania International Russia, Voice of Russia WS S Africa, Channel Africa S Africa, Trans World Radio	11940na 17625au 15215af 11640af	15335na 17665au	21790au		0630 0630 0641	0700 0645 0656	as	USA, Voice of America Vatican City, Vatican Radio Romania, R Romania International	5970af 11995af 11625af 9570eu	6035af 12080af 13765af 9665eu	6080af 13670af 15570af 11885na	7195af 11940na
0600 0600 0600	0700 0700 0700	vl	Sierra Leone, Sierra Leone BS Singapore R Corp of Singapore Solomon Islands, SIBC	3316do 6150do 5020do	9545do			0645 0655	0655 0700	as	Germany, Trans World Radio Germany, Trans World Radio	15250eu 6045eu 6045eu	15335na		

SELECTED PROGRAMS

Sundays

0600 BBC (All) 0600 BBC (W&S Af) 0630 BBC (Am)
0630 BBC (E As/Pa/Au)
0630 BBC (E Af/ME) 0630 BBC (Eu/N Af) 0630 BBC (S As) 0630 BBC (W&S Af)

The World Today (international news/analysis) World Briefing

Agenda (contemporary ideas/trends) Westway Omnibus (last week's 2 episodes) Agenda (contemporary ideas/trends) Agenda (contemporary ideas/trends)
Westway Omnibus (last week's 2 episodes) Agenda (contemporary ideas/trends)

Mondays 0600 BBC (Am/ME/S As)

BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0600 BBC (E Af) 0600 BBC (W&S Af) 0600 BBC (Eu/N Af) 0605 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0605 BBC (E Af) 0620 BBC (W&S Af) 0630 BBC (Am) 0630 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0630 BBC (S As) BBC (W&S Af) 0630 0645 BBC (E Af)

The World Today (international news/analysis) News

World Briefing

The World Today (international news/analysis) Meridian-Masterpiece (showcasing best performances)

Talking Point (global current affairs phone-in) Sports Roundup (British/world scores/reports) Play of the Week (contemporary radio drama) Panel game/Quiz show (rotating series)) World Learning (various educational series) Network Africa (morning magazine) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

Tuesdays

0600 BBC (Am/E Af) 0600 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0600 BBC (ME/S As) BBC (W&S Af) 0600 BBC (Eu/N Af) 0605 BBC (Am) 0605 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) News

News The World Today (international news/analysis)

The World Today (international news/analysis) Meridian-Masterpiece (showcasing best perfor-

Meridian-Ideas (cultural trends/thought)

0605 BBC (E Af) 0620 BBC (W&S Af) 0630 BBC (Am) BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0630 0630 BBC (S As) BBC (W&S Af) 0630 0645 BBC (E Af)

Outlook (topical magazine) Sports Roundup (British/world scores/reports) Panel game/Quiz show (rotating series)) Music Mix (showcasing popular music genres) World Learning (various educational series) Network Africa (morning magazine) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

Wednesdays

0600 BBC (Am/E Af) 0600 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0600 BBC (ME/S As) 0600 BBC (W&S Af) 0600 BBC (Eu/N Af) 0605 BBC (Am) BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0605 0605 BBC (E Af) 0620 BBC (W&S Af) 0630 BBC (Am) 0630 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0630 BBC (S As) 0630 BBC (W&S Af) 0645 BBC (E Af)

News The World Today (international news/analysis) World Briefing
The World Today (international news/analysis) Meridian-Ideas (cultural trends/thought)
Meridian-Screen (international film/cinema) Outlook (topical magazine) Sports Roundup (British/world scores/reports) Music Mix (showcasing popular music genres)

UK Top 20 (British top hits) World Learning (various educational series) Network Africa (morning magazine) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

Thursdays

0600 BBC (Am/E Af) BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0600 0600 BBC (ME/S As) 0600 BBC (W&S Af) 0600 BBC (Eu/N Af) 0605 BBC (Am) 0605 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) BBC (E Af) BBC (W&S Af) 0605 0620 0630 BBC (Am) 0630 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) News News

The World Today (international news/analysis) World Briefing The World Today (international news/analysis) Meridian-Screen (international film/cinema) Meridian-Music (classical music trends) Outlook (topical magazine)

Sports Roundup (British/world scores/reports) UK Top 20 (British top hits) Omnibus (documentary)

0645 BBC (E Af)

0630 BBC (S As)

0630

World Learning (various educational series) BBC (W&S Af) Network Africa (morning magazine) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

News

Fridays

0600 BBC (Am/E Af) 0600 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0600 BBC (ME/S As) 0600 BBC (W&S Af) 0600 BBC (Eu/N Af) 0605 BBC (Ed) (Am) 0605 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0605 BBC (E Af) 0620 BBC (W&S Af) BBC (Am) BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0630 0630 0630 BBC (S As) 0630 BBC (W&S Af) 0645 BBC (E Af)

News

The World Today (international news/analysis) World Briefing
The World Today (international news/analysis) Meridian-Music (classical music trends)

Meridian-Writing (contemporary literature) Outlook (topical magazine) Sports Roundup (British/world scores/reports) Omnibus (documentaries) World Music (showcasing global music trends)

World Learning (various educational series) Network Africa (morning magazine) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

Saturdays

0600 BBC (Am/E Af) 0600 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) BBC (ME/S As) 0600 0600 BBC (W&S Af) BBC (Eu/N Af) 0600 0605 BBC (Am) 0605 BBC (E Af) 0630 BBC (Am) BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 0630 0630

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0630 BBC (W&S Af)

The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) World Briefing The World Today (international news/analysis)

Meridian-Writing (examining contemporary literature) Outlook (topical magazine)

World Music (showcasing global music trends) People and Politics (the week in Parliament) BBC (ME/Eu/N Af/S As) People and Politics (the week in Parliament) African Quiz (current events test)[1st wk.] This Week and Africa (regional events review)[exc.

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Frequencies

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0700 0700	0800 0800	vl vl	Australia, ABC/Alice Springs Australia, ABC/Katherine	4835do 5025do				0800	0830	vl	Australia, ABC/Katherine	5025do			
0700	0800	vl	Australia, ABC/Tennant Creek	4910do	10000	15040	35435	0800	0830	νl	Australia, ABC/Tennant Creek	4910do	0710	10000	12/05
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0700	0800	νl	Botswana, Radio	7255do	9600do	7255do		0800	0830		Belgium, Radio Vlaanderen Intl	5985eu			2172000
0700	0800	νl	Cameroon, RTV/Yaounde	4850do				0800	0900	vl	Botswana, Radio	7255do	9600do	7255do	
0700 0700	0800 0800		Canada, CFRX Toronto ON Canada, CFVP Calgary AB	6070do 6030do				0800 0800	0900 0900	vl	Cameroon, RTV/Yaounde Canada, CFRX Toronto ON	4850do 6070do			
0700	0800		Canada, CKZN St John's NF	6160do				0800	0900		Canada, CFVP Calgary AB	6030do			
0700	0800	.,	Canada, CKZU Vancouver BC	6160do				0800	0900		Canada, CKZN St John's NF	6160do			
0700 0700	0800 0800	mtwhf	Costa Rica, R for Peace Intl Costa Rica, University Network	6970va 5030am	6150va	7375na	9725na	0800 0800	0900 0900		Canada, CKZU Vancouver BC Costa Rica, University Network	6160do 5030am	6150va	7375na	9725na
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0700 0700	0800 0800	mtwhf as/vl	Eqt Guinea, Radio Africa Eqt. Guinea, Radio East Africa	15185af 15185af				0800	0900 0900	mtwhf	Ecuador, HCJB Egt Guinea, Radio Africa	9780eu 15185af	11755pa	Z1455USD	
0700	0800	a/monthly	Finland, Scandy Weekend Radio	11720va				0800	0900	as/vl	Eqt. Guinea, Radio East Africa	15185af			
0700	0800		Germany, Deutsche Welle	6140eu				0800 0800	0900 0900	a/monthly		11720va			
0700 0700	0800 0800		Germany, Trans World Radio Germany, Voice of Hope	6045eu 5975eu	21590me			0800	0820		Germany, Deutsche Welle Germany, Trans World Radio	6140eu 6045eu			
0700	0800	vl	Ghana, Ghana BC Corp	3366do	4915do			0800	0900		Germany, Voice of Hope	5975eu	21590me		
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0700	0800	vl/mtwhf	Italy, IRRS	7120va	374700			0800	0900	us	Guyana, Voice of	3289do	5949do		
0700	0800		Kenya, Kenya BC Corp	4935do				0800	0900	17	Indonesia, Voice of	9525va	11785va	15149va	
0700 0700	0800	vl	Kuwait, Radio Lesotho, Radio	15110va 4800do				0800 0800	0900 0900	vl/as	Italy, IRRS Kenya, Kenya BC Corp	7120va 4935do			
0700	0800	νl	Liberia, ELWA	4760do				0800	0900	vl	Lesotho, Radio	4800do			
0700	0800	νl	Liberia, R Liberia International	5100do				0800	0900 0900	vl vl	Liberia, ELWA	4760do			
0700 0700	0800 0800	vl	Liberia, Voice of Hope Malawi, Malawi BC Corp	6280af 3380do	5995do			0800	0900	VI	Liberia, R Liberia International Liberia, Voice of Hope	5100do 6280af			
0700	0800		Malaysia, Radio	7295do	077000			0800	0810	vl	Malawi, Malawi BC Corp	3380do	5995do		
0700	0800		Malaysia, RTM Sarawak	7160do	0750	15005		0800	0900 0825		Malaysia, Radio Malaysia, Voice of	7295do 6275as	9750as	15295as	
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0700	0800		Myanmar, Radio	9730do				0800	0830		Myanmar, Radio	9730do			
0700 0700	0800 0705		Namibia, Namibian BC Corp New Zealand, R New Zealand Int	3270af 17675pa	3289af			0800	0900 0900		Namibia, Namibian BC Corp New Zealand, R New Zealand Int	7165af 15175pa	7215af		
0700	0800		New Zealand, ZLXA	3935do	7290do			0800	0900		New Zealand, KNew Zealand IIII	3935do	7290do		
0700	0800	vl	Nigeria, Radio/Enugu	6025do				0800	0900	vl	Nigeria, Radio/Enugu	6025do			
0700 0700	0800 0800	vl vl	Nigeria, Radio/Ibadan Nigeria, Radio/Kaduna	6050do 4770do	6090do	7275do	9570do	0800	0900 0900	vl vl	Nigeria, Radio/Ibadan Nigeria, Radio/Kaduna	6050do 4770do	6090do	7275do	9570do
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0700	0800		Palau, KHBN/Voice of Hope	9965as	9985as	15725as		0800	0804		Pakistan, Radio	17525eu	21460eu	0005	15725
0700 0700	0730 0756	vl	Papua New Guinea, NBC Romania, R Romania International	9675do 15250af	11880do 17735af			0800	0900 0900	vl	Palau, KHBN/Voice of Hope Papua New Guinea, NBC	9955as 4890do	9965as 9675do	9985as	15725as
0700	0800		Russia, Voice of Russia WS	15490au	17625au	17655au	17665au	0800	0900		Russia, Voice of Russia WS	15490au	17495au	17625au	17655au
0700	0800		C: C: DC	21790au				0800	0900	s	S Africa, Amateur Radio League	21790au 9750af	21560af		
0700	0800		Sierra Leone, Sierra Leone BS Singapore R Corp of Singapore	3316do 6150do				0800	0900	5	Sierra Leone, Sierra Leone BS	3316do	2130001		
0700	0730		Slovakia, R Slovakia International	15460au	17550au	21705au		0800	0900		Singapore R Corp of Singapore	6150do			
0700 0700	0800	vl	Solomon Islands, SIBC Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka BC Corp	5020do 6130do	9545do			0800 0800	0900 0900	vl	Solomon Islands, SIBC South Korea, R Korea Intl	5020do 9570au	13670eu		
0700	0720		Swaziland, Trans World Radio	4775af	6100af	9500af		0800	0900		Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka BC Corp	6130do	1007000		
0700	0800		Taiwan, R Taiwan International	5950na				0800	0900		Uganda, Radio	5026do	7110do	7196do	11055
0700 0700	0800 0730	as	Uganda, Radio UK, BBC World Service	5026do 17885af	7110do	7196do		0800	0900		UK, BBC World Service	6190af 12095eu	9740as 15360as	11940af 15400af	11955pa 15485eu
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				15565eu	17640eu	17760as	17790as				,	6350va	6458va	6847va	10320va
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				10940va	12579va	12689va	13362va	0800	0900		USA, KNLS Anchor Point AK	9615as			
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0700	0800		USA, KTBN Salt Lake City UT	7510na				0800	0900		USA, Voice of America	11775as	13610as	15150as	
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0700	0800		USA, WHRA Greenbush ME	7435af				0800	0900		USA, WJCR Upton KY	7490va	13595as		
0700 0700	0800		USA, WHRI Noblesville IN USA, WJCR Upton KY	7315sa 7490va	13595as			0800 0800	0900 0900		USA, WMLK Bethel PA USA, WRMI Miami FL	7555va 7385am	9475alt		
0700	0800		USA, WMLK Bethel PA	7555va	9465alt			0800	0900		USA, WSHB Cypress Crk SC	7535eu	9845pa		
0700	0800		USA, WRMI Miami FL	7385am				0800	0900		USA, WTJC Newport NC	9370na	2010	5070	5005
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0700	0800		USA, WWCR Nashville TN	2390am	3210am	5070am	5935am	0800	0900		Zambia, Christian Voice	9865do			
0700	0745	vl	USA, WYFR Okeechobee FL	7355eu	13695va	15170eu		0800	0900 0900	vl vl	Zambia, National BC Corp Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe BC Corp	6165do 5975do	6265do 6045do		
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0700	0800	vl	Zambia, National BC Corp	6165do	6265do			0820	0850	S	Germany, Trans World Radio	6045eu			
0700 0705	0800 0800	vl	Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe BC Corp New Zealand, R New Zealand Int	5975do 15175pa	6045do			0830 0830	0900 0900	vl vl	Australia, ABC/Alice Springs Australia, ABC/Katherine	2310do 2485do			
0705	0800		Austria, R Austria International	15175pa 15410me	17870me			0830	0900	vl	Australia, ABC/Tennant Creek	2325do			
0730	0800	th	Georgia, Georgian Radio	6080eu				0830	0900	а	Austria, R Austria International	21650as	21765au		
0730 0730	0740 0800	as vl	Guam, Trans World Radio Papua New Guinea, NBC	15200as 4890do	9675do			0830 0830	0900 0900		Georgia, Georgian Radio Switzerland, Swiss R International	11910eu 9885as	21770af		
0730	0800	*1	Switzerland, Swiss R International	9885af	13635af	17665af		0840	0900	S	Armenia, Voice of	4810eu	15270eu		
0730	0800	as	UK, BBC World Service	15575as	17885af		0/45	0855	0900	S	Taiwan, CBS	11725as			
0730	0745	mtwhf	Vatican City, Vatican Radio	4005eu 11740eu	5880eu 15595eu	7250eu	9645eu								
0740	0800		Guam, Trans World Radio	15200as											
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0900 0900 0900 0900	1000 1000 1000 1000	vl vl	Nigeria, Radio/Lagos Palau, KHBN/Voice of Hope Papua New Guinea, NBC Russia, Voice of Russia WS	3326do 9955as 4890do 15490au	4990do 9965as 9675do 17495au	9985as 17625au	15725as 17655au	1000 1000 1000 1000	1100 1100 1100 1100	vl vl	Nigeria, Radio/Lagos Nigeria, Voice of Palau, KHBN/Voice of Hope Papua New Guinea, NBC	4990do 7255af 9955as 4890do	7285do 15120af 9965as 9675do	9985as	15725as
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0900 0900 0900 0900 0915 0915 0915 0920	1000 1000 1000 1000 1000 1000 0930 0950	vl vl vl vl/as	Vanuatu, Radio Zambia, Christian Voice Zambia, National BC Corp Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe BC Corp Ghana, Ghana BC Corp Ghana, Ghana BC Corp Guan, Trans World Radio Monaco, Trans World Radio	3945do 9865do 6165do 5975do 6130do 4915do 15330as 9870eu	4960do 6265do 6045do 4915do 4915do	7260do		1000 1000 1030 1030 1030 1030 1030	1100 1100 1045 1100 1100 1100	vl vl mtwhf	Zambio, National BC Corp Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe BC Corp Ethiopia, Radio Guam, Adventist World Radio Malaysia, RTM Sarawak Mongolia, Voice of South Korea, R Korea Intl	6165do 5975do 5990do 11795as 7160do 12085au 11715na	6265do 6045do 7110do	9705do	
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1100	1200		Anguilla, Caribbean Beacon	11775am				I 1100	1200		Switzerland, Swiss R International	9540as	21770as		
1100		vl	Australia, ABC/Alice Springs	2310do				1100	1200		Taiwan, Voice of Asia	7445as	2177003		
1100		vl	Australia, ABC/Katherine	2485do				1100	1200		Uganda, Radio	5026do	7110do	7196do	
1100		vl	Australia, ABC/Tennant Creek	2325do				1100	1130	mtwhf	UK, BBC Caribbean Report	6195ca	15220ca	717000	
1100		VI	Australia, Radio	5995pa	6020pa	9580va	11650pa	1100	1130	as	UK, BBC World Service	5965na	6195as	9580as	9740as
1100	1200		Australia, Kaalo	13605pa	21820as	7300Va	Поэора	1100	1130	us	OK, DBC WOILD SERVICE	11760me	11955as	12095eu	15280as
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1100		vl	Botswana, Radio	7255do	9600do	7255do						15565eu	15575as	17640as	17700as
1100		νl	Cameroon, RTV/Yaounde	4850do 9625do								17790sa	17830af	17885af	21470af
1100			Canada, CBC Northern Service					1100	1130		UK, BBC World Service	6195na	15190sa	15220am	2147001
			Canada, CFRX Toronto ON	6070do				1100	1200	as mtwhfa	UK, BBC World Service	6190af	11940af	132200111	
1100			Canada, CFVP Calgary AB	6030do				1100	1200				21515af		
1100			Canada, CKZN St John's NF	6160do					1200	а	UK, Flat Earth Radio/Merlin	21455me			
1100			Canada, CKZU Vancouver BC	6160do	10/50	177/5	17000	1100		а	UK, Virgin Radio/Merlin	21455me	21515af	4000	57/5
1100		mtwhf	Canada, R Canada International	9640na	13650na	17765na	17820na	1100	1200		USA, Armed Forces Radio	4278va	4319va	4993va	5765va
1100		as	Costa Rica, R for Peace Intl	6970va	/150	7075	0705					6350va	6458va	6847va	10320va
1100	1200		Costa Rica, University Network	5030am	6150va	7375na	9725na					10940va	12579va	12689va	13362va
				11870va	13749af			1100	1000		1104 4 15 0 1	16847va	1010	1000	57/5
1100			Ecuador, HCJB	12005am	15115va	21455usb		1100	1200		USA, Armed Forces Radio	4278va	4319va	4993va	5765va
1100		mtwhf	Eqt Guinea, Radio Africa	15185af								6350va	6458va	6847va	10320va
1100		as/vl	Eqt. Guinea, Radio East Africa	15185af								10940va	12579va	12689va	13362va
1100		a/monthly	Finland, Scandv Weekend Radio	11690va								16847va			
1100			Germany, Deutsche Welle	6140eu	15410af	17800af	21780af	1100	1200		USA, KAIJ Dallas TX	5755va			
1100			Germany, Voice of Hope	21590me				1100	1200		USA, KTBN Salt Lake City UT	7510na			
1100		vl	Ghana, Ghana BC Corp	6130do	4915do			1100	1200		USA, KWHR Naalehu HI	9930as	11565pa		
1100		vl/as	Ghana, Ghana BC Corp	4915do	4915do			1100	1130	mtwhf	USA, Voice of America	13675af	15550af	17650af	17780af
1100			Guyana, Voice of	5949do								21600af			
1100	1200		Iran, VOIRI	15185as	15385as	15585as	21470as	1100	1200		USA, Voice of America	6160as	9645as	9760as	9770pa
				21730as				1				15160as	15240as	15425as	
1100		vl/as	Italy, IRRS	7120va				1100	1200		USA, WEWN Birmingham AL	5825na	7425na	15745na	
1100			Japan, Radio	6120na	9695as	15590as		1100	1200		USA, WHRI Noblesville IN	6040na	9495sa		
1100			Jordan, Radio	17680eu				1100	1200		USA, WJCR Upton KY	7490va	13595as		
1100			Kenya, Kenya BC Corp	4935do				1100	1200		USA, WRMI Miami FL	9955am			
1100		vl	Lesotho, Radio	4800do				1100	1200		USA, WSHB Cypress Crk SC	6095am	11660va		
1100		vl	Liberia, ELWA	4760do				1100	1200		USA, WTJC Newport NC	9370na			
1100		vl	Liberia, R Liberia International	6100do				1100	1200		USA, WWCR Nashville TN	2390am	5070am	5935am	9475am
1100	1200		Liberia, Voice of Hope	11530af				1100	1200		USA, WYFR Okeechobee FL	5850na	5950na		
1100			Malaysia, Radio	7295do				1100	1200	vl/s	Vanuatu, Radio	3945do	4960do	7260do	
1100			Malaysia, TRM Sarawak	7160do				1100	1127		Vietnam, Voice of	7285as			
1100			Namibia, Namibian BC Corp	7165af	7215af			1100	1200		Zambia, Christian Voice	9865do			
1100	1125		Netherlands, Radio	7260va	9790va	12065va		1100	1200	vl	Zambia, National BC Corp	6165do	6265do		
1100	1200		New Zealand, R New Zealand Int	15175pa				1100	1200	vl	Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe BC Corp	5975do	6045do		
1100	1200		New Zealand, ZLXA	3935do				1110	1120		Greece, Voice of	9420va	15630va		
1100	1200	vl	Nigeria, Radio/Enugu	6025do				1115	1145		Nepal, Radio	5005as	7165as		
1100	1200	vl	Nigeria, Radio/Ibadan	6050do				1115	1115	mtwhf	Vatican City, Vatican Radio	5880eu	9645eu	11740eu	15595eu
1100		vl	Nigeria, Radio/Kaduna	4770do	6090do	7275do	9570do				,,	21850eu			
1100	1200	vl	Nigeria, Radio/Lagos	4990do	7285do			1130	1200		Belgium, Radio Vlaanderen Intl	9865as			
1100	1104		Pakistan, Radio	9549do	17525eu	21460eu		1130	1157		Czech Rep, Radio Prague Intl	11640eu	21745as		
1100			Palau, KHBN/Voice of Hope	9955as	9965as	9985as	13840as	1130	1200		Netherlands, Radio	6045eu	9855eu		
1100	1200	vl	Papua New Guinea, NBC	4890do	9675do			1130	1200		South Korea, R Korea Intl	9650na			
1100			Sierra Leone, Sierra Leone BS	5980do				1130	1200		Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka BC Corp	4940do			
1100			Singapore, R SIngapore Intl	6150as	9590as			1130	1200	а	UK, Wales Radio Intl/Merlin	17625au			
1100			Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka BC Corp	4940do	11835as	15210as	17850as	1130	1200	f	Vatican City, Vatican Radio	15595va	17515va		
	1130		Switzerland, Swiss R International	9535eu				1145	1200	vl	Libya, Voice of Africa	11815af	17725af		
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1100	BBC (all)	World Briefing, News
1120	BBC (all)	British News

Sundays

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1101	BBC (As)	Concert Hall (classical)
1130	BBC (Am, Af, Eu, Me)	Arts in Action (global magazine)
1130	BBC (As/Pa/Au)	Play of the Week (contemporary drama)
1130	BBC (Af)	Postmark Africa (expert answers any question)

Mondays

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1105	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Report (regional news/business)
1105	BBC (As/Pa/Au)	Health Matters (news/keeping fit)
1105	BBC (Af)	Discovery (scientific trends/research)
1110	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Sport
1115	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Magazine (regional reports)
1130	BBC (Eu/Af)	World Business Report
1130	BBC (Me)	"World Learning (various educational series
1130	BBC (Am)	World Business Report
1130	BBC (As/Pa/Au)	Everywoman (int'l women's magazine)
1130	BBC (Af)	Essential Guide (background on our world)
1130	BBC (As)	Letter from America (Alistair Cooke)
1130	BBC (As)	World Business Report
1130	BBC (Af)	Inside Track
1145	BBC (Eu/Af/Am/As)	Sports Roundup

Tuesdays

1105	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Report (regional news/business)
1105	BBC (As/Pa/Au)	Science View (astronomy/discoveries)
1105	BBC (Af)	Health Matters (medical news/keeping fit)
1110	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Sport

1115	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Magazine (regional reports)
1130	BBC (Eu/Af/ Am/ As)	World Business Report
1130	BBC (Me)	World Learning (various educational series)
1130	BBC (As/Pa/Au)	Focus on Faith (religious issues)
1130	BBC (Af)	Everywoman (int'l women's magazine)
1130	BBC (Af)	Analysis (of a current event/issue)
1145	BBC (most)	Sports Roundup
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Wednesdays

1105	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Report (regional news/business)
1105	BBC (As/Pa/Au)	Focus on Football (global soccer)[1st wk.] Sports Int
		national (anthologies)[exc.1st wk.]
1105	BBC (Af)	Science View (astronomy/discoveries/computing/tren
1110	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Sport
1115	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Magazine (regional reports)
1130	BBC (Eu/Af/Am/As)	World Business Report
1130	BBC (Me)	World Learning (various educational series)
1130	BBC (As/Pa/Au)	Pick of the World (WS highlights)
1130	BBC (Af)	Focus on Faith (religious issues)
1130	BBC (Af)	Analysis (of a current event/issue)
1145	BBC (most)	Sports Roundup
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Thursdays

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1105	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Report (regional news/business)
1105	BBC (As/Pa/Au)	One Planet (development and environment)
1105	BBC (Af)	Focus on Football (global soccer)[1st wk.] Sports Inter-
		national (anthologies)[exc. 1st wk.]
1110	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Sport
1115	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Magazine (regional reports)
1130	BBC (Eu/Af/ Am/ As)	World Business Report
1130	BBC (Me)	World Learning (various educational series)
1130	BBC (As/Pa/Au)	People and Places (global views/experiences)
1130	BBC (Af)	Pick of the World (World Service highlights)
1130	BBC (Af)	From Our Own Correspondent (background to news)

1145 BBC (most) Sports Roundup

Fridays

1105	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Report (regional news/business)
1105	BBC (As/Pa/Au)	Discovery (scientific ideas/research)
1105	BBC (Af)	One Planet (development and environment)
1110	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Sport
1115	BBC (Am)*	Caribbean Magazine (regional reports)
1130	BBC (Eu/Af/ Am/ As)	World Business Report
1130	BBC (Me)	World Learning (various educational series)
1130	BBC (As/Pa/Au)	Essential Guide (background on our world)
1130	BBC (Af)	People and Places (global views/experiences)
1130	BBC (Af)	Analysis (of a current event/issue)
1145	BBC (Eu/Af)	Sports Roundup
1145	RRC (Am/As)	Football Extra (alobal soccer weekly)

Saturdays

1105	BBC (Af)
1105	BBC (As)
1130	BBC (Eu/Af/Am)
1130	BBC (As/Pa/Au)
1130	BBC (Eu/Af)
1130	BBC (Af)
1135	BBC (Af)
1145	BBC (Am/ Af)

Westway Omnibus (last week's 2 episodes)
The Edge (youth magazine)[cont'd from 1005]
World Business Rev (financial news)[exc. last wk.]
Science in Action (topical research reports)
The New Europe (integration efforts)[last wk.]
Analysis (of a current event/issue)
Greenfield Collection (classical music requests)
Sports Roundup

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1200 1200	1300 1300	vļ	Anguilla, Caribbean Beacon Australia, ABC/Alice Springs	11775am 2310do				1200	1300 1215		Singapore, R Singapore Intl Somalia, Radio Galkayo	6150as 6985va	9590as		
1200 1200 1200	1300 1300 1300	vl vl	Australia, ABC/Katherine Australia, ABC/Tennant Creek Australia, Radio	2485do 2325do 5995pa	6020pa	9580va	11650pa	1200 1200 1200	1230 1300 1300		Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka BC Corp Taiwan, R Taiwan International Uganda, Radio	4940do 7130as 5026do	9610au 7110do	7196do	
1200 1200 1200	1300 1300 1300	mtwhf vl	Bhutan, Bhutan BC Service Botswana, Radio Brazil, Radio Nacional Bras	21820as 5030do 7255do 15445am	9600do	7255do		1200 1200	1220 1300	as	UK, BBC World Service UK, BBC World Service 9580as 12095eu	6195na 5965na 9740as 15280as	15220am 6190af 11760me 15310as	6195as 11940af 15485eu	9515na 11955as 15565eu
1200 1200	1300 1300	vl	Bulgaria, Radio Cameroon, RTV/Yaounde	15700eu 4850do	17500eu						15575me 21470af	17640eu	17700as	17830af	17885af
1200 1200 1200	1300 1300 1300	vl	Canada, CBC Northern Service Canada, CFRX Toronto ON Canada, CFVP Calgary AB	9625do 6070do 6030do				1200 1200 1200	1300 1300 1300	a a	UK, Flat Earth Radio/Merlin UK, Virgin Radio/Merlin Ukraine, R Ukraine International	9430na 21455 15520eu	21515af me	21515af	
1200 1200 1200	1300		Canada, CKZN St John's NF Canada, CKZU Vancouver BC	6160do 6160do				1200	1300		USA, Armed Forces Radio 6350va	4278va 6458va	4319va 6847va	4993va 10320va	5765va 10940va
1200	1230		Canada, R Canada International	9640na 17765na	9660as 17820na	13650na	15195as	1200	1300		USA, KAIJ Dallas TX	12689va 5755va	13362va	16847va	
1200	1256 1300		China China Radio International Costa Rica, R for Peace Intl	9715as 15415as 21815va	9760pa	11675pa	11980as	1200 1200 1200	1300 1300 1300		USA, KTBN Salt Lake City UT USA, KWHR Naalehu HI USA, Voice of America	7510na 9930as 6160as	11565pa 9645as	9760as	15160as
1200	1300		Costa Rica, University Network	5030am 11870va	6150va 13749af	7375na	9725na	1200	1300		USA, WEWN Birmingham AL	15240as 5825na	15425as 7425na	15745na	1010003
1200 1200 1200	1300 1300 1300	as/vl a/monthly	Ecuador, HCJB Eqt. Guinea, Radio East Africa Finland, Scandv Weekend Radio	12005am 15185af 11690va	15115va	21455usb		1200 1200 1200	1300 1300 1300		USA, WGTG McCaysville GA USA, WHRI Noblesville IN USA, WJCR Upton KY	9400va 6040na 7490va	12170am 9495sa 13595as		
1200 1200 1200	1300 1300 1300		France, R France International Germany, Deutsche Welle Germany, Voice of Hope	15195af 6140eu 15715me	15195af	15540af		1200 1200 1200	1300 1300 1300		USA, WRMI Miami FL USA, WSHB Cypress Crk SC USA, WTJC Newport NC	9955am 6095am 9370na	11660va		
1200 1200	1300 1300	vl	Ghana, Ghana BC Corp Guyana, Voice of	4915do 5949do	6130do			1200 1200	1300 1245		USA, WWCR Nashville TN USA, WYFR Okeechobee FL	5070am 5850na	5935am 5950na	7435am 17750na	15685am
1200 1200	1227 1300	vl/as	Iran, VOIRI Italy, IRRS	15185as 21730as 7120va	15385as	15585as	21470as	1200 1200 1200	1230 1300 1300	vl/s	Uzbekistan, Radio Tashkent Vanuatu, Radio Zambia, Christian Voice	7285as 3945do 9865do	9715as 4960do	15295as 7260do	17775as
1200 1200 1200	1300	fa	Jordan, Radio Kazakhstan, Radio Almaty	17680eu 11840eu				1200 1200	1300	vl vl	Zambia, National BC Corp Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe BC Corp	6165do 5975do	6265do 6045do		
1200	1300	vl	Kenya, Kenya BC Corp Lesotho, Radio	4935do 4800do				1204 1205	1220	mtwhf occsnl	UK, BBC Caribbean Report New Zealand, R New Zealand Int	6195ca 6095pa	15220ca		
1200 1200 1200	1300 1300 1300	vl vl	Liberia, ELWA Liberia, R Liberia International Liberia, Voice of Hope	4760do 6100do 11530af				1215 1220 1220	1300 1240 1300	w mtwhf	Egypt, Radio Cairo Kazakhstan, Radio Almaty UK, BBC World Service	17595as 9620eu 15220am	11840eu		
1200 1200	1300		Malaysia, Radio N Marianas, KHBI Saipan	7295do 5915as	9880as			1230 1230	1300		Austria, R Austria International Bangladesh, Bangla Betar	6155eu 7184as	13730va 9558as		
1200 1200 1200	1300 1300 1205		Namibia, Namibian BC Corp Netherlands, Radio New Zealand, R New Zealand Int	7165af 6045eu 15175pa	7215af 9855eu			1230 1230 1230	1256 1259 1300		Belgium, Radio Vlaanderen Intl Canada, R Canada International Guam, Adventist World Radio	9925eu 9640na 15330va	13650na	17765na	17820na
1200 1200 1200	1300 1300 1300	vl vl	New Zealand, ZLXA Nigeria, Radio/Enugu Nigeria, Radio/Ibadan	3935do 6025do 6050do				1230 1230	1300 1300		Italy, Adventist World Radio Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka BC Corp	9610eu 4940do 15425as	6005as	6075as	9770as
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1200	1300		Palau, KHBN/Voice of Hope	11335va 9955as	13650va 9965as	9985as	13840as	1240 1245	1300	f	Kazakhstan, Radio Almaty Seychelles, FEBA Radio	9620eu 15535me	11840eu	0.400	11705
1200 1200	1300 1300	vl	Papua New Guinea, NBC Sierra Leone, Sierra Leone BS	4890do 5980do	9675do			1255	1300	mtwhfa	Taiwan, CBS	6180as 11775as	7250as	9630as	11725as

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Sundays

1200 BBC (Eu/N Af) 1200 BBC (Am/E Af/S As) 1200 BBC (ME) 1200 BBC (W&S Af) 1230 BBC (E As/Pa/Au)

Newshour (comprehensive report of the day's news) Newshour (comprehensive report of the day's news)

Newshour (comprehensive report of the day's news) Agenda (contemporary ideas/trends)

Mondays

1200 BBC (Eu/N Af/Am) BBC (ME/E Af) 1200 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 1200 BBC (S As) 1200 BBC (W&S Af) 1205 BBC (ME) 1205 BBC (Am)* 1205 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 1205 BBC (E Af) 1230 BBC (ME) 1245 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 1245 BBC (E Af)

Newshour (comprehensive report of the day's news) News

Newshour (comprehensive report of the day's news) Newshour (comprehensive report of the day's news) Meridian-Masterpiece (best performances) Caribbean Report (regional news/business)[to 1220] Outlook (topical magazine)

Outlook (topical magazine) Panel game/Quiz show (rotating series)) Patterns of Faith (moral/spiritual reflections) Plain English (on language)

Tuesdays

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Heart and Soul (questions on faith/religion)

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Caribbean Report (regional news/business)[to 1220]

Meridian-Screen (international film/cinema)

Outlook (topical magazine)

Meridian-Ideas (cultural trends/thought)

Wednesdays BBC (Eu/N Af/Am)

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Outlook (topical magazine) UK Top 20 (British top hits) 1245 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) Heart and Soul (questions on faith/religion) 1245 BBC (E Af) Best of 'The Edge' (youth magazine)

Thursdays

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Meridian-Music (classical music trends) Outlook (topical magazine)

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1245 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 1245 BBC (E Af)

Fridays

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Newshour (comprehensive report of the day's news) Newshour (comprehensive report of the day's news) Meridian-Writing (examining literature)

Caribbean Report (regional news/business)[to 1220] Outlook (topical magazine) Outlook (topical magazine)

World Music (showcasing global music trends) Body and Mind (health/medicine) Patterns of Faith (moral/spiritual reflections)

Saturdays

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Assignment (a current topical issue) Global Business (about international business)

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	1400		Germany, Overcomer Ministries	6110eu				1300	1400		USA, WHRI Noblesville IN	6040na	15105na		
	1330	S	Germany, Universal Life	9710eu	9955na			1300	1400		USA, WJCR Upton KY	7490va	13595as		
	1335		Germnay, Voice of Hope	15715me				1300	1400		USA, WRMI Miami FL	15725am			
		vl	Ghana, Ghana BC Corp	4915do	6130do			1300	1400		USA, WSHB Cypress Crk SC	9430na	9455na		
	1400		Guyana, Voice of	5949do				1300	1400		USA, WTJC Newport NC	9370na			
		vl/as	Italy, IRRS	7120va				1300	1400		USA, WWCR Nashville TN	5070am	5935am		15685am
	1400		Jordan, Radio	11690eu				1300	1400		USA, WYFR Okeechobee FL	11550as	11830na	11970na	1//50na
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	1400		Palau, KHBN/Voice of Hope	9955as		9985as	13840as	1330	1400		Uzbekistan, Radio Tashkent	7285as	9715as	15295as	17775as
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	1355		Poland, Radio Polonia	6095eu	7270eu	9525eu	11820eu	1335	1400		Germany, Voice of Hope	15715me	17550as		
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Daily		

1300 1300	BBC (most) BBC (Asia/Pa/Au/Me)	News Newshour (comprehensive report of the day's news)				
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Sundays 1301

BBC (Af/ W&Af) Concert Hall (classical music recitals) The Alternative ("leading edge" music w/John BBC (Eu/Af) 1305 Peel or Steve Lamaca) 1305 Jazzmatazz (jazz magazine) 1305 BBC (As) Wright Around the World (pop music/dedications w/Steve Wright) BBC (Eu/Af) 1330 Global Business (about international business) BBC (Am) 1330 In Praise of God (services of worship)

Monday-Fridays

1305 BBC (Am/Eu/Af/As)

Mondays BBC (Af/ W&Af) mances) BBC (Af/ W&Af) Panel game/Quiz show (rotating series) 1330

Outlook (topical magazine)

1345 BBC (Eu/Af) BBC (As) BBC (Am) 1350 BBC (Asia/Pa/Au) World Business Report

Meridian-Masterpiece (showcasing best perfor-Plain English (on language) Patterns of Faith (moral/spiritual reflections) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)

Tuesdays

BBC (Af/W&Af) 1305 Meridian-Ideas (cultural trends/thought) BBC (Af/W&Af) 1330 Music Mix (showcasing popular music genres) 1345 BBC (Eu/Af) Heart and Soul (questions on faith/religion) 1345 BBC (As) BBC (Am) Plain English (on language)
Off the Shelf (serialized book readings) 1345 BBC (Asia/Pa/Au) World Business Report

Wednesdays

BBC (Af/W&Af) Meridian-Screen (international film/cinema) 1330 BBC (Af/W&Af) UK Top 20 (British top hits) 1345 BBC (Eu/Af) Best of "The Edge' (youth magazine) 1345 BBC (As/Am) Heart and Soul (questions on faith/religion) BBC (Asia/Pa/Au) 1350 World Business Report

Thursdays

BBC (Af/W&Af) BBC (Af/W&Af) BBC (Eu/Af) 1305 Meridian-Music (classical music trends) Omnibus (documentary)
Body and Mind (health/medicine) 1330 1345 1345 BBC (As) Best of "The Edge' (youth magazine) BBC (Am) Off the Shelf (serialized book readings) 1345 1350 BBC (Asia/Pa/Au) World Business Report

Fridays

BBC (Af/W&Af) Meridian-Writing (examining contemporary literature) 1330 BBC (Af/W&Af) World Music (showcasing global music trends)

1345	BBC (Eu/Af)	Patterns of Faith (moral/spiritual reflections)
1345	BBC (As)	Body and Mind (health/medicine)
1345	BBC (Am)	Off the Shelf (serialized book readings)
1350	BBC (Asia/Pa/Au)	World Business Report

Saturdays

1305	BBC (Am)	Global Business (about international business)
1305	BBC (Eu/Af)	Wright Around the World (pop music/dedica- tions w/Steve Wright)
1305	BBC (As)	Panel game/Quiz show (rotating series)
1305	BBC (Af/W&Af)	Jazzmatazz (jazz magazine)
1330	BBC (Am/Af)	People and Politics (the week in Parliament)
1330	BBC (As)	Greenfield Collection (classical music requests)
1330	BBC (Af)	Arts in Action (global arts magazine)

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SELECTED PROGRAMS

Sundays

1400	BBC (all)	News
1405	BBC (all)	Talking Point (global current affairs phone-in)

Monday-Friday

1400	BBC (most)	News
1400	BBC (E Af)	World Briefing
1400	BBC (As/Pa/Aus)	East Asia Today (regional current events magazine)

Mondays

1405	BBC (Eu/N Af)	Meridian-Masterpiece (best performances)
1405	BBC (Me/ W&S Af)	Discovery (scientific ideas/trends/research)
1405	BBC (Am/As)	Meridian-Ideas (cultural trends/thought)
1420	BBC (E Af)	World Business Report
1430	BBC (Eu/N Af)	Panel game/Quiz show (rotating series)
1430	BBC (Me)	Essential Guide (backgrounding aspects of our world)
1430	BBC (Am/As)	Music Mix (showcasing popular music genres)
1430	BBC (As/Pa/Aus/ E Af)	British News
1430	BBC (W&S Af)	Essential Guide (backgrounding aspects)
1445	BBC (As/Pa/Aus/ E Af)	Sports Roundup

Tuesdays

1405	BBC (Eu/N Af)	Meridian-Ideas (cultural trends/thought)
1405	BBC (Me/ W&S Af)	Health Matters (medical news/keeping fit)
1405	BBC (Am/As)	Meridian-Screen (int'l film/cinema)
1420	BBC (E Af)	World Business Report
1430	BBC (Eu/N Af)	Music Mix (popular music genres)
1430	BBC (Me/ W&S Af)	Everywoman (int'l women's magazine)
1430	BBC (Am)	UK Top 20 (British top hits)
1430	BBC (As/Pa/Aus/ E Af)	British News
1430	BBC (As)	UK Top 20 (British top hits)
1445	BBC (As/Pa/Aus/ E Af)	Sports Roundup

Wednesdays 1405 BBC (Eu/N Af) 1405 BRC (Ma/W&S Af)

1405	BBC (Me/ M & 2 AT)	Science view (astronomy/computing/tref
1405	BBC (Am/As)	Meridian-Music (classical music trends)
1420	BBC (E Af)	World Business Report
1430	BBC (Eu/N Af)	UK Top 20 (British top hits)
1430	BBC (Me)	Focus on Faith (religious issues)
1430	BBC (Am/ As)	Westway (drama serial)
1430	BBC (As/Pa/Aus/ E Af)	British News
1430	BBC (W&S Af)	Focus on Faith (religious issues)
1445	BBC (Am/As)	UK Album Chart (top selling British CDs)
1445	BBC (As/Pa/Aus/ E Af)	Sports Roundup

Meridian-Screen (int'l film/cinema)

Thursdays

1405	BBC (Eu/N Af)	Meridian-Music (classical music trends)
1405	BBC (Me/ W&S Af)	Focus on Football (global soccer)[1st wk.]
1405	BBC (Me/ W&S Af)	Sports Int'l (anthologies)[exc. 1st wk.]
1405	BBC (Am/As)	Meridian-Writing (examining contemporary literature
1420	BBC (E Af)	World Business Report
1430	BBC (Eu/N Af)	Omnibus (documentary)
1430	BBC (Me/W&S Af)	Pick of the World (World Service highlights)
1430	BBC (Am/ As)	World Music (showcasing global music trends)
1430	BBC (As/Pa/Aus/E Af)	British News
1445	BBC (Am)	Music X-Press (trend-setting popular music)
1445	BBC (As/Pa/Aus/ E Af)	Sports Roundup

Fridays

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14	05	BBC (Eu/N Af)	Meridian-Writing (examining contemporary literature)
14	05	BBC (Me/W&S Af)	One Planet (development and the environment)
14	05	BBC (Am/As)	Meridian-Masterpiece (showcasing best performances)
14	20	BBC (E Af)	World Business Report
14	30	BBC (Eu/N Af)	World Music (showcasing global music trends)
14	30	BBC (Me)	People and Places (forum for global views/experiences)

1430 BBC (Am) Westway (drama serial) 1430 BBC (As/Pa/Aus/ E Af) Biritish News 1430 BBC (As) Westway (drama serial)

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1430	BBC (W&S Af)	People and Places (forum for global views/ex-
		periences)
1445	BBC (Am)	Music X-Press (trend-setting popular music)
1445	BBC (As/Pa/Aus)	Sports Roundup
1445	BBC (E Af)	Football Extra (weekly global soccer report)
1445	BBC (As)	Music X-Press (trend-setting popular music)

Saturdays

1400	BBC (IIIOSI)	News
1400	BBC (As/Pa/Aus)	East Asia Today (regional current events maga
		zine)
1405	RRC (all)	Sportsworld (play-by-play/ reports) [to 1700

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1556		China China Radio International		7405na	9785as	13685af				9515na 12095eu	9740as 15220na	11860af 15310as	11865na 15400af	11940af 15420af
1600		Costa Rica, R for Peace Intl	15050va	21815va	7375na	9725na				15485eu 21470af	15575eu 21490af	17700as 21660af	17830af	17840am
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1600		Germany, Overcomer Ministries	6110eu	13810af			1500	1600		USA, KJES Vado NM	11715na			
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1600		Malaysia, RTM Kota Kinabalu	5980do				1500	1600	vl	Zambia, Christian Voice	4965do	6265do		
1530		Mexico, R Mexico International	9705am	11770alt			1500	1600	vl	Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe BC Corp	5975do	6045do		
1600		Myanmar, Radio	5985do				1530	1545	41	Afghanistan, Voice of Shari'ah	7002do	7073do	7085as	
1600		Netherlands, Radio	12070as	12095as	15595as		1530	1600	vl	Botswana, Radio	3356do	4820do	7255do	
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Sunday	,
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1505	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)
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1530	BBC (Am)
1530	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)
1530	BBC (Eu/N Af)

News Summary Play of the Week (contemporary radio drama) Concert Hall (classical music recitals)
Play of the Week (contemporary radio drama)
Play of the Week (contemporary radio drama) From Our Own Correspondent The Alternative ("leading edge" music) From Our Own Correspondent

People and Politics (the week in Parliament) Omnibus (documentary)
People and Politics (the week in Parliament)

Monday

15	00	BBC (AII)
15	00	BBC (MÉ)
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15	45	BBC (ME)
15	45	BBC (S As)

World Briefing World Briefing Discovery (scientific ideas/trends/research) One Planet (development and the environment) Meridian-Ideas (cultural trends/thought) Focus on Africa (regional correspondents' reports) Focus on Africa (regional correspondents' reports) Essential Guide (backgrounding aspects of our world)

British News People and Places (global views/experiences) Music Mix (showcasing popular music genres) World Learning (various educational series) British News World Learning (various educational series) Sports Roundup World Business Report

Tuesday 1500 BBC (AII)

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Focus on Africa (regional correspondents' reports) Focus on Africa (regional correspondents' reports) Everywoman (international women's magazine) British News Essential Guide (backgrounding aspects of our world) UK Top 20 (British top hits) World Learning (various educational series) **British News** World Learning (various educational series) Sports Roundup World Business Report

Health Matters (medical news/keeping fit)

Discovery (scientific ideas/trends/research)

Meridian-Screen (international film/cinema)

World Briefing

Wednesday

1500 BBC (All)

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British News UK Album Chart (top selling British CDs) Sports Roundup World Business Report

Thursday 1500 BBC (All)

BBC (ME/S As)	World Briefing
BBC (Eu/N Af)	Focus on Football (global soccer)[1st wk.]
BBC (Eu/N Af)	Sports International (anthologies)[exc. 1st wk.]
BBC (Am)	Science View (astronomy/discoveries/computing)
BBC (E As/Pa/Au)	Meridian-Writing (examining literature)

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1545	BBC (E As/Pa/Au)
1545	BBC (ME)
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Saturday

1500	RRC (VII)
1505	BBC (All)

World Briefing One Planet (development and the environment) Focus on Football (global soccer)[1st wk.] Sports International (anthologies)[exc. 1st wk.]
Meridian-Masterpiece (best performances) Focus on Africa (regional correspondents' reports) People and Places (global views/experiences) British News

Focus on Africa (regional correspondents' reports)

Pick of the World (World Service highlights)

World Music (showcasing global music trends)

World Learning (various educational series)

Focus on Faith (religious issues)

British News

Snorts Roundup

World Business Report

Pick of the World (World Service highlights) Westway (drama serial) World Learning (various educational series) Music X-Press (trend-setting popular music) Sports Roundup World Business Report

Sportsworld (play-by-play/reports)[continues from

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1600	1700		Anguilla, Caribbean Beacon	11775am	1310000			1600	1700		Palau, KHBN/Voice of Hope	9955as	9965as	13840as	
1600	1700	vl	Australia, ABC/Alice Springs	2310do				1600	1700		Russia, Voice of Russia WS	4940me	4965me	4975me	7325me
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1600		vl	Australia, ABC/Katherine	2485do				1/00	1/20		C Africa Charact Africa		11500as	11965me	
1600	1700	νl	Australia, ABC/Tennant Creek	2325do				1600	1630		S Africa, Channel Africa	9525af			
1600	1700		Australia, Radio	5995as	6080va	9475as	9580va	1600	1700		S Africa, World Beacon	6145af			
				11650pa	11660as			1600	1700		Sierra Leone, Sierra Leone BS	5980do			
1600	1700	vl	Botswana, Radio	3356do	4820do	7255do		1600	1700		South Korea, R Korea Intl	5975om	9515af	9870af	
1600	1700	νl	Cameroon, RTV/Yaounde	4850do				1600	1700		Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka BC Corp	4940do			
1600	1700	νl	Canada, CBC Northern Service	9625do				1600	1640		UAE, Radio Dubai	13675eu	15395eu	21605eu	
1600	1700		Canada, CFRX Toronto ON	6070do				1600	1700		Uganda, Radio	4976do	5026do		
1600	1700		Canada, CFVP Calgary AB	6030do				1600	1700		UK, BBC World Service	3195as	5975as	6190af	6195af
1600	1700		Canada, CKZN St John's NF	6160do							7160as	9515na	9740as	11940af	12095eu
1600	1700		Canada, CKZU Vancouver BC	6160do							15310as	15400af	15485eu	15575eu	17700as
1600	1656		China China Radio International	7190af	9565af	9870af					17830am	17840am	21470af	21660af	
1600	1700		Costa Rica, R for Peace Intl	15050va	21815va	,0,00.		1600	1700	a	UK, Flat Earth Radio/Merlin	15525eu	15665na	21515af	
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1600	1700		Ethiopia, Radio	7165af	9560af						12579va	12689va	13362va	16847va	1074000
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1600	1700		France, R France International	11615af	11995af	12015af	15210af	1600	1700		USA, KJES Vado NM	11715na			
				17605af	17850af			1600	1700		USA, KTBN Salt Lake City UT	15590na			
1600	1645		Germany, Deutsche Welle	6170as	7225as	9735af	15380as	1600	1700		USA, KWHR Naalehu HI	9930as			
				15455af	17810as	21780af		1600	1700		USA, VOA Special English	13600af	15445af	17895af	
1600	1700		Germany, Deutsche Welle	6140eu				1600	1700		USA, Voice of America	6035af	6160as	7125as	9645as
1600	1700	а	Germany, Good News World R	15105af							9700me	9760as	13710af	15205va	15225af
1600	1700		Germany, Overcomer Ministries	6110eu	13810af						15255va	15410af			
1600	1630	S	Germany, Universal Life	15105af				1600	1700		USA, WEWN Birmingham AL	11875na	13615na	15375na	15745na
1600	1630		Germany, Voice of Hope	17550as				1600	1700		USA, WGTG McCaysville GA	9400am	12170am		
1600	1700	νl	Ghana, Ghana BC Corp	4915do	6130do			1600	1700		USA, WHRA Greenbush ME	17650af			
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1600	1700		Guam, Adventist World Radio	9355as				1600	1700		USA, WINB Red Lion PA	13570eu			
1600	1630		Guam, Trans World Radio	15330as				1600	1700		USA, WJCR Upton KY	7490va	13595as		
1600	1700		Guyana, Voice of	5949do				1600	1700		USA, WRMI Miami FL	15725am			
1600	1627		Iran, VOIRI	7115as	9635as	11775na		1600	1700		USA, WSHB Cypress Crk SC	18910af			
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1600	1700	vl	Liberia, ELWA	4760do				1600	1610		Vatican City, Vatican Radio	12065au	13765au	17540au	
1600	1700	vl	Liberia, R Liberia International	6100do				1600	1700		Zambia, Christian Voice	4965do	1370300	1734000	
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			Liberia, Voice of Hope								Zambia, National BC Corp	6165do	6265do		
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1600	1700		New Zealand, ZLXA	3935do				1630	1700		Georgia, Georgian Radio	6180me			
1600	1700	νl	Nigeria, Radio/Enugu	6025do				1630	1700	S	Seychelles, FEBA Radio	11605as			
1600	1700	νl	Nigeria, Radio/Ibadan	6050do				1630	1700	as	UK, BBC World Service	11860af	21490af		
1600	1700	νl	Nigeria, Radio/Kaduna	4770do	6090do	7275do	9570do	1630	1700	mtwhf	UK, Merlin Network One	12065as			
1600	1700	vl	Nigeria, Radio/Lagos	3326do	4990do			1630	1657		Vietnam, Voice of	9730eu	13740eu		
1600	1700	v	Nigeria, Voice of	7255af	15120af			1630	1700	vl	Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe BC Corp	4828do	6045do		
1600	1656		North Korea, R Pyongyang	3560va	6520va	9600va	9975va	1650	1700	mtwhf	New Zealand, R New Zealand Int	15120pa			
1600	1615		Pakistan, Radio	11570me	15100af	15725af	17510me				,				
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Mondays

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1645	BBC (Am Eu/N Af/ E As/Pa/Au)
1645	BBC (Me)

World Briefing News

World Briefing

British News

Sports Roundup World Learning (educational series)
Sports Roundup

Concert Hall (classical music)

World Learning (educational series)

Outlook (topical magazine) Meridian-Ideas (cultural trends) Health Matters (medical news) British News Analysis (of a current event/issue) Fast Track (African sport) Everywoman (int'l women's mag)

Sports Roundup Patterns of Faith (moral/spiritual reflections)

Tuesdays

1600 BBC (E As/Pa/Au/Eu/N Af) 1600 BBC (E Af/SAs/ W&S Af/Me) 1605 BBC (Me) 1605 BBC (E Af /W&S Af) 1605 BBC (S As)

World Briefing Outlook (topical magazine) Meridian-Screen (int'l film/cinema) Science View (astronomy/discoveries/computing/trends)

1620 BBC (Am Eu/N Af/ E As/Pa/Au) 1630 BBC (Am)

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Wednesdays

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Thursdays

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BBC (E Af /W&S Af)

Analysis (of a current event/issue) Analysis (of a current event/issue) African Perspective (opinion/comment) Focus on Faith (religious issues)

Sports Roundup Plain English (on language)

World Briefing News

Outlook (topical magazine) Meridian-Music (classical music trends) Focus on Football (global soccer)[1st wk.]Sports Int'l (anthologies)[exc. 1st wk.1 British News

From Our Own Correspondent Talkabout Africa (African events/issues) Pick of the World (World Service) Sports Roundup Heart and Soul (faith/religion)

World Briefing News Outlook (topical magazine) Meridian-Writing (literature) One Planet (development/environment) Analysis (of a current event/issue)

Art Beat (the arts in Af)

1630 BBC (S As)

1645 BBC (Am/ Eu/N Af/ E As/Pa/Au) 1645 BBC (Me)

Fridays

1600 BBC (E As/Pa/Au/ Eu/N Af) 1600 BBC (E Af S As/W&S Af/Me) 1605 BBC (Me) 1605 BBC (E Af/ W&S Af)

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1645 BBC (Am/ Eu/N Af/ E As/Pa/Au) 1645 BBC (Me)

1600 BBC (all) 1605 1605 BBC (most) People and Places (forum for glo-

bal views/experiences)

Sports Roundup

Best of "The Edge" (youth

magazine)

World Briefing News Outlook (topical magazine) Meridian-Masterpiece (showcasing best performances) Discovery (scientific ideas/trends/ research) British News

British News Analysis (of a current event/issue) The New Europe (integration

efforts)[last wk.] Fast Track (African sport) Essential Guide (backgrounding aspects)

Sports Roundup Body and Mind (health/medicine)

Saturdays

Outlook (topical magazine) Sportsworld (play-by-play/ reports)[continues from 1405]

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2100 2100 2100	2200 f/mon 2145 2200 vl	Germany, Deutsche Welle 15410va Ghana, Ghana BC Corp	11690va 9615af 17560va 3366do	9690af 17835af 4915do	9765va	15135va	2200 2200 2200	2300 2300 2300	vl vl	Anguilla, Caribbean Beacon Australia, ABC/Alice Springs Australia, ABC/Katherine	6090am 4835do 5025do			
2100 2100 2100 2100	2200 2200 irreg 2200 vl 2200	India, All India Radio 9950eu Iraq, Radio Iraq International Italy, IRRS Japan, Radio	7150va 11620au 9684va 3985va 6035pa	7410eu 11715me 11787va 9725eu	9650eu 11850pa	9910au 11855af	2200 2200 2200 2200 2200	2300 2300 2300 2300 2300	vl vl	Australia, ABC/Tennant Creek Australia, Radio Bulgaria, Radio Cameroon, RTV/Yaounde Canada, CBC Northern Service	4910do 11715pa 7200eu 4850do 9625do	17795va 7500eu	21740va	
2100 2100 2100 2100 2100	2110 2200 vl 2200 vl 2200 vl 2200 vl	17825na Kenya, Kenya BC Corp Lesotho, Radio Liberia, ELWA Liberia, R Liberia International Malawi, Malawi BC Corp	21670pa 4935do 4800do 4760do 5100do 3380do				2200 2200 2200 2200 2200	2300 2300 2300 2300 2230		Canada, CFRX Toronto ON Canada, CFVP Calgary AB Canada, CKZN St John's NF Canada, CKZU Vancouver BC Canada, R Canada International 17695am	6070do 6030do 6160do 6160do 5960am 17835as	9755am	13670am	15305am
2100 2100 2100 2100 2100	2200 2200 2200 2200 2200 vl	Malaysia, Radio Namibia, Namibian BC Corp New Zealand, R New Zealand Ini New Zealand, ZLXA Nigeria, Radio/Enugu	3935do 6025do	3289af			2200 2200 2200 2200 2200	2256 2300 2300 2245 2300	mtwhf	China China Radio International Costa Rica, R for Peace Intl Costa Rica, University Network 11870va Egypt, Radio Cairo	7170eu 15050va 5030am 13749af 9990eu 15185af	9880eu 21815va 6150va	7375na	9725na
2100 2100 2100 2100 2100 2100 2100 2100	2200 vl 2200 vl 2200 vl 2156 2200 vl 2105 2156	Nigeria, Radio/Ibadan Nigeria, Radio/Kaduna Nigeria, Radio/Lagos North Korea, R Pyongyang Palau, KHBN/Voice of Hope Papua New Guinea, NBC Poland, Radio Polonia Romania, R Romania Internationa		6090do 4990do 9335va 7185eu 11940eu 9775eu	7275do 7265eu 15105eu 9820eu	9570do 9525eu 15180eu	2200 2200 2200 2200 2200 2200 2200 220	2300 2300 2300 2300 2220 2230 2230 2230	f/monthly vl s	Eqt Guinea, Radio Africa Finland, Scandv Weekend Radio Germany, Overcomer Ministries Ghana, Ghana BC Corp Greece, Voice of Hungary, Radio Budapest Hungary, Radio Budapest India, All India Radio 9750eu	11690va 3965eu 3366do 9425au 6025eu 6025eu 7150va 11620au	4915do 15650au 7410eu 11715me	9650eu	9910au
2100 2100 2100 2100 2100 2100 2100 2100	2200 2200 2200 2200 2200 vl 2130 2200 s 2200 s 2200 irreg 2200 vl	Russia, Voice of Russia WS Russia, World Beacon S Africa, World Beacon Sierro Leone, Sierra Leone BS Solomon Islands, SIBC South Korea, R Korea Intl South Korea, R Korea Intl Spain, R Exterior Espana Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka BC Corp Syria, Radio Damascus	9775eu 15485eu 7360eu 3230af 3316do 5020do 3970eu 15575eu 9595af 4940do 12085eu	11640af 9545do 6480eu 9840eu 13610eu	702000	9890eu	2200 2200 2200 2200 2200 2200 2200 220	2300 2225 2300 2210 2300 2300 2300 2300 2300 2300	vl vl vl	Italy, IRRS Italy, RRS Italy, RAI International Liberia, R Liberia International Malawi, Malawi BC Corp Malaysia, Radio Namibia, Namibian BC Corp New Zealand, R New Zealand Int New Zealand, ZLXA Nigeria, Radio/Enugu Nigeria, Radio/Ibadan	3985va 9675as 5100do 3380do 7295do 3270af 17675pa 3935do 6025do 6050do	11900as 3289af	15240as	
2100 2100 2100	2115 mtwhf 2200	UK, BBC World Service UK, BBC World Service 6005af 11835af UK, World Beacon	11675ca 3255af 6190af 11945as 9675af	3915as 6195va 12095sa	5965as 9410eu 15400af	5975va 9740pa	2200 2200 2200 2200 2200 2200	2300 2300 2300 2230 2300	vl vl	Nigeria, Radio/Kaduna Nigeria, Radio/Lagos Palau, KHBN/Voice of Hope Papua New Guinea, NBC Sierra Leone, Sierra Leone BS	4770do 3326do 9955as 4890do 3316do	6090do 4990do 9965as	7275do 9985as	9570do
2100	2200	USA, Armed Forces Radio 6350va 12579va USA, KAIJ Dallas TX	4278va 6458va 12689va 13815va	4319va 6847va 13362va	4993va 10320va 16847va	5765va 10940va	2200 2200 2200 2200	2300 2300 2300 2230	vl irreg	Solomon Islands, SIBC Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka BC Corp Taiwan, R Taiwan International Turkey, Voice of	5020do 4940do 11565eu 9525as	9545do 15600eu		
2100 2100 2100	2200 2200 2130	USA, KTBN Salt Lake City UT USA, KWHR Naalehu HI USA, Voice of America 7415af 11975af	15590na 17510as 6035af 9535af 15185as	6040me 9705pa 15410af	6095me 9760eu 15445af	7375af 11870pa 15580af	2200 2200 2200	2300	fa	UK, BBC World Service 7110as 12080pa UK, Global Kitchen/Merlin Ukraine, R Ukraine International	5965as 9590na 12095sa 3955eu 5905va	5975na 9660as 15400af 6170eu 9560va	6175na 11835af 7165eu 11770va	6195va 11955as
2100 2100 2100 2100 2100	2200 2200 2200 2200 2200 2200	17725af USA, WBCQ Monticello ME USA, WEWN Birmingham AL USA, WGTG McCaysville GA USA, WHRA Greenbush ME USA, WHRI Noblesville IN	17735as 7415na 9975na 9400am 17650af 5745na	17820as 11875na 12170am 9495sa	13615na 13760na	15375na	2200 2200 2200 2200	2300 2300 2300 2300		USA, Armed Forces Radio 6350va 12579va USA, KAIJ Dallas TX USA, KTBN Salt Lake City UT USA, KWHR Naalehu HI	4278va 6458va 12689va 13815va 15590na 17510as	4319va 6847va 13362va	4993va 10320va 16847va	5765va 10940va
2100 2100 2100 2100	2200 2200 2200 2200	USA, WINB Red Lion PA USA, WJCR Upton KY USA, WMLK Bethel PA USA, WRMI Miami FL	13570eu 7490va 15265eu 15725am	13595as			2200	2230	mtwhf	USA, Voice of America 15185as USA, Voice of America 11975af	7215as 15290as 6035af	9705as 15305as 7340af	9770as 17785as 7375af	11760as 17820as 7415af
2100 2100 2100 2100	2200 2200 2200 2145	USA, WSHB Cypress Crk SC USA, WTJC Newport NC USA, WWCR Nashville TN USA, WYFR Okeechobee FL	11550eu 9370na 7435am 15120af	15665af 9475am 17555eu	17845af	13845am	2200 2200 2200 2200 2200 2200	2300 2300 2300 2300 2300		USA, WBCQ Monticello ME USA, WEWN Birmingham AL USA, WGTG McCaysville GA USA, WHRA Greenbush ME USA, WHRI Noblesville IN	7415na 9975na 9400am 17650af	13615na 12170am 9495sa	15375na 13760na	
2100 2100 2100 2100 2110	2200 vl 2200 2200 vl 2200 vl 2130	Vanuatu, Radio Zambia, Christian Voice Zambia, National BC Corp Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe BC Corp Vatican City, Vatican Radio	3945do 4965do 6165do 4828do 4005eu	4960do 6265do 6045do 5880eu	7260do 7250eu	9645eu	2200 2200 2200 2200 2200	2300 2300 2300 2300 2300		USA, WINK NODIESVIIIE IN USA, WINB Red Lion PA USA, WJCR Upton KY USA, WRMI Miami FL USA, WSHB Cypress Crk SC	5745na 13570eu 7490va 15725am 7510eu	13595as 15285sa	13700110	
2115	2200 2130 mtwhf	Egypt, Radio Cairo UK, BBC Caribbean Report	9990eu 5975ca	11675ca	15390ca	. 0 . 0 0 0	2200 2200	2300 2300		USA, WTJC Newport NC USA, WWCR Nashville TN	9370na 5070am	7435am	9475am	13845am

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2200 2245 USA, WYFR Okeechobee FL 2200 2300 Vanuatu, Radio 2200 2300 Zambia, Christian Voice 2200 2210 Vl Zambia, National BC Corp 2230 2300 Albania, R Tirona International 2230 2300 Australia, Christian Voice	11740na 15120af 3945do 4960do 4965do 6165do 6265do 7130eu 9540eu 13780va 15165va	17845af 7260do 17645va 21680va	2300 2330 2300 0000 2300 2359 2300 0000 2300 2305 vl 2300 2305 vl	Mexico, R Mexico International Namibia, Namibian BC Corp New Zealand, R New Zealand Int New Zealand, ZLXA Nigeria, Radio/Enugu Nigeria, Radio/Ibadan	9705am 11770alt 3270af 3289af 17675pa 3935do 6025do 6050do	
2230 2300 Belgium, Radio Vlaanderen Intl 2230 2300 Canada, R Canada International 2230 2300 Cuba, Radio Havana	13660am 5960na 9755na 9550am	13670na	2300 2305 vl 2300 2305 vl 2300 2305 vl 2300 0000	Nigeria, Radio/Raduna Nigeria, Radio/Lagos Palau, KHBN/Voice of Hope	4770do 6090do 3326do 4990do 9965as 9985as	7275do 9570do
2230 2257 Czech Rep, Radio Prague Intl 2230 2300 Hungary, Radio Budapest 2230 2300 vl/as Solomon Islands, SIBC 2230 2300 vl/a Solomon Islands, SIBC 2230 2300 Sweden, Radio	7345na 9435af 3975eu 5020do 9545do 6065va 7235va		2300 2359 2300 0000 2300 0000 vl/as 2300 0000 vl/a 2300 0000	Romania, R Romania International Sierra Leone, Sierra Leone BS Solomon Islands, SIBC Solomon Islands, SIBC Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka BC Corp	7690eu 11775na 3316do 5020do 9545do 4940do	11830eu 15105na
2230 2300 UK, BBC World Service	5965as 5975na	6175na 6195va	2300 0000	Turkey, Voice of	6020eu 9655va	5075 (005
7110as 12080pa 2245 2300 India, All India Radio	9590na 9660as 12095sa 15400af 7410as 9705as	11835af 11955as 9950as 11620as	2300 0000	UK, BBC World Service 6175na 11955as	3915as 5965as 6195as 7110as 12095sa 15280as	5975na 6035as 9590na 11945as
13625as 2245 2300 USA, WYFR Okeechobee FL 2245 2300 Vatican City, Vatican Radio	11740na 9600as 11830as		2300 0000 fa 2300 0000	UK, Global Kitchen/Merlin USA, Armed Forces Radio 6350va 12579va	3955eu 6170eu 4278va 4319va 6458va 6847va 12689va 13362va	7165eu 4993va 5765va 10320va 10940va 16847va
2300)		2300 0000 2300 0000 2300 0000	USA, KAIJ Dallas TX USA, KTBN Salt Lake City UT USA, KWHR Naalehu HI	13815va 15590na 17510as	
2300 0000 Anguilla, Caribbean Beacon	6090am		2300 2330	USA, VOA Special English 11925as	7190as 7200as	9545as 9795as
2300 0000 vl Australia, ABC/Alice Springs 2300 0000 vl Australia, ABC/Katherine	4835do 5025do		2300 0000	USA, Voice of America 15290as	7215as 9770as 15305as 17735as	11760as 15185as 17820as
2300 0000 vl Australia, ABC/Tennant Creek 2300 0000 Australia, Christian Voice 2300 0000 Australia, Radio	4910do 13780va 15165va 9660pa 12080va	17645va 21680va 17715pa 17795va	2300 0000 2300 0000 2300 0000	USA, WBCQ Monticello ME USA, WEWN Birmingham AL USA, WGTG McCaysville GA	7415na 7425na 9385na 5085am 6890am	9975na 13615na 9320am
21740va 2300 0000 vl Cameroon, RTV/Yaounde 2300 0000 Canada, CBC Northern Service	4850do 9625do		2300 0000 2300 0000 2300 0000	USA, WHRA Greenbush ME USA, WHRI Noblesville IN	17650na 5745na 9495sa	13760na
2300 0000 Canada, CFRX Toronto ON 2300 0000 Canada, CFRY Toronto ON Canada, CFVP Calgary AB	6070do 6030do		2300 0000 2300 0000 2300 0000	USA, WINB Red Lion PA USA, WJCR Upton KY USA, WRMI Miami FL	13570am 7490va 13595as 9955am	
2300 0000 Canada, CKZN St John's NF 2300 0000 Canada, CKZU Vancouver BC	6160do 6160do		2300 0000 2300 0000	USA, WSHB Cypress Crk SC USA, WTJC Newport NC	7510va 15285sa 9370na	
2300 2330 Canada, R Canada International 15305am	5960am 9755am 17695am	11895an 13670am	2300 0000 2300 0000 2300 2345	USA, WYCR Nashville TN USA, WYFR Okeechobee FL	3215am 5070am 11740na	7435am 13845am
2300 2356 China, China Radio International 2300 0000 Costa Rica, R for Peace Intl 2300 0000 Costa Rica, University Network	5990na 15050va 21815va 5030am 6150va	7375na 9725na	2300 0000 vl 2300 2315 2300 0000	Vanuatu, Radio Vatican City, Vatican Radio Zambia, Christian Voice	3945do 4960do 9600as 11830as 4965do	7260do
2300 2330 Cuba, Radio Havana 2300 0000 Egypt, Radio Cairo 2300 0000 f/monthly filanda, Scandv Weekend Radio 2300 2345 Germany, Deutsche Welle	13749af 9550am 9900am 11690va 9470as 9815as	13690as 17655as	2330 0000 as 2330 2359 2330 2357 2330 2345 vl 2330 0000	Canada, R Canada International Canada, R Canada International Czech Rep, Radio Prague Intl Libya, Voice of Africa Malaysia, RTM Sarawak	11895am 15305am 5960am 9755am 7345na 9435na 11815af 17725af 7160do	17695am 13670am
2300 0000 vl Ghana, Ghana BC Corp 2300 0000 India, All India Radio 13625as	3366do 4915do 7410as 9705as	9950as 11620as	2330 0000 2330 0000 2330 0000 2330 0000	Netherlands, Radio Switzerland, Swiss R International USA, VOA Special English	6165na 9845na 9885sa 11660sa 6060as 7190as	7200as 7225as
2300 2315 vl Italy, IRRS 2300 0000 vl Liberia, R Liberia International	3985va 5100do			7260as 13735as	9545as 9795as 15205as	11805as 11925as
2300 0000 Malaysia, Radio 2300 0000 Malaysia, RTM Kota Kinabalu	7295do 5980do		2330 2357	Vietnam, Voice of	9840as 12019as	

SELECTED PROGRAMS

Sundays

2300 BBC (Am) 2300 BBC (Eu/N Af) 2300 BBC (E As/Pα/Au) 2330 BBC (Am) 2330 BBC (Eu/N Af) The World Today (international news/analysis)
The World Today (international news/analysis)
The World Today (international news/analysis)
Greenfield Collection (classical music requests)
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Mondays

2300 BBC (Am) TI 2300 BBC (Eu/N Af) TI 2300 BBC (E As/Pg/Au) TI

The World Today (international news/analysis)
The World Today (international news/analysis)
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Tuesdays

2300 BBC (Am) 2300 BBC (Eu/N Af) 2300 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) The World Today (international news/analysis)
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Wednesdays

2300 BBC (Am)
2300 BBC (Eu/N Af)
2300 BBC (E As/Pa/Au)

The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis)

Thursdays

2300 BBC (Am) 2300 BBC (Eu/N Af) 2300 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis) The World Today (international news/analysis)

Fridays

2300 BBC (Am) 2300 BBC (Eu/N Af) 2300 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) 2330 BBC (E As/Pa/Au) The World Today (international news/analysis)
The World Today (international news/analysis)
The World Today (international news/analysis)
Global Business (about international business)

Saturdays

2300 BBC (Am)
2300 BBC (Eu/N Af)
2300 BBC (E As/Pa/Au)
2330 BBC (Am)
2330 BBC (E As/Pa/Au)
2330 BBC (Eu/N Af)

The World Today (international news/analysis)
The World Today (international news/analysis)
The World Today (international news/analysis)
Arts in Action (global arts magazine)
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Hauser's Highlights

ALBANIA: Radio Tirana

Albanian to NAm:
0000-0430 on 6090, 7270
English, complete:
0130-0145 6115, 7160 NAm
0330-0400 6115, 7160 NAm
1715-1730 7210, 9510 Eu
2230-2300 7130, 9540 Eu
(Ivo and Anguel, *Observer*, Bulgaria)

Thank You ...

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How To Use This Table

The *Monitoring Times* propagation table is set up to cover three main areas of the continental US and similar circuits are calculated for each area. If you live in Canada or along the 49th parallel, and have access to the Internet, you can check the following sites for similar tables for the Canadian and northern US users at http://www.odxa.on.ca/rac2txt99.htm.

In the MT tables and on the Canadian web site, the OWF (Optimum Working Frequency) frequency for a particular circuit is displayed. This frequency should give you the best chance, 90% of the time, to hear a station located at the other end of the circuit. If you feel adventurous, look up higher than the OWF for possible signals.

The tabulated OWF is approximately equivalent to 80% of the MUF (Maximum Usable Frequency) so you could still go up in frequency in your search for a signal. For example, if the tabulated OWF is 8.0 MHz, the MUF would be 10 MHz, so you could go lurking in the upper reaches up to 10 MHz. When you reach the MUF, your chances of hearing a good signal have now decreased to about 10%. When the solar activity is high you might find some of the MUF in the 35 to 45 MHz area; you never know what you can find "up there."

The OWF can, at times, have a calculated value of "0". This value is replaced by an asterisk (*) and the cells are shaded in the *Monitoring Times* chart and on the Web pages. When you see this, do not despair; keep on looking in the vicinity of the last frequency listed for that circuit. The reason why the OWF can have a calculated value of "0" is simply that the ALF (Absorption Frequency) on this circuit, at that particular time of day, is higher than the OWF and, in theory, communication at the OWF should be impossible. But I have been in the radio field long enough to know that theory and practice do not always agree!

As it is relatively safe to assume reciprocity in the forecasts most of the time, the *MT* circuits are labeled "TO/FROM." There are some technical arguments against this assumption, but we know that the *MT* forecasts have been used with success by overseas listeners to listen to North American broadcasts.

A "P" after the name of a circuit indicates that the signal on that particular circuit can be influenced by auroral zone disturbances while traveling over the pole.

Enjoy DXing and use the propagation charts to help you locate unusual signals.

OPTIMUM WORKING FREQUENCIES (MHz)

For December 2000 Flux=184 SSN=144

Predictions prepared using ASAPS for Windows®

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TO/FROM US WEST COAST																								
CARIBBEAN	18	15	14	13	12	11	10	10	9	8	8	9	9	9	14	22	27	27	27	25	25	25	24	21
SOUTH AMERICA	20	19	18	17	14	12	11	11	11	10	10	10	*	*	17	25	25	25	24	24	23	23	22	21
WESTERN EUROPE	8	8	8	8	8	9	9	9	10	9	9	9	9	9	10	14	21	21	17	14	12	10	9	8
EASTERN EUROPE (P)	8	8	8	8	9	9	10	10	10	10	9	9	9	10	10	13	18	14	12	10	*	*	*	8
NORTH AFRICA	13	13	12	12	12	12	12	12	11	11	*	*	*	*	12	18	25	24	22	19	15	14	13	13
CENTRAL AFRICA	23	21	18	16	13	13	12	12	*	*	*	*	*	*	13	19	26	32	33	33	34	30	27	25
SOUTH AFRICA	21	19	18	17	14	13	13	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	15	24	25	24	24	24	25	27	26	22
MIDDLE EAST (P)	11	11	11	12	14	12	11	*	*	*	*	*	*	10	10	12	19	16	13	12	12	12	12	11
CENTRAL ASIA (P)	12	12	19	19	15	12	11	*	*	9	9	9	9	9	10	10	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
INDIA (P)	12	19	24	20	16	*	*	*	*	*	*	9	9	9	9	9	13	14	13	13	12	11	11	11
THAILAND	27	30	26	22	17	*		*	*	*	9	9	9	9	9	9	12	18	17	16	14	12	11	14
AUSTRALIA	26	26	27	24	20	17		*	12	12	12	11	11	10	10	11	16	22	21	20	19	22	24	25
CHINA	21	30	26	21	17	13	11	10	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	11	12	11	11	11	11	12	14
JAPAN	30	28	25	20	16	13	11	10	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	10	9	9	*	10	16	24	31
SOUTH PACIFIC	23	22	22	20	17	14	11	11	10	10	10	10	9	8	8	11	13	17	23	22	23	23	22	23
TO/FROM US MIDWEST																								
CARIBBEAN	19	16	14	12	11	10	10	10	9	9	8	9	11	19	26	29	30	30	29	28	27	27	26	22
SOUTH AMERICA	23	21	18	16	14	14	13	14	13	12	11	11	13	23	31	30	30	29	29	28	28	28	27	26
WESTERN EUROPE	10	10	9	10	10	10	10	11	11	12	12	12	12	15	21	28	29	25	21	17	14	13	12	11
EASTERN EUROPE (P)	7	7	7	8	8	8	9	11	11	11	10	11	11	12	17	23	20	15	12	10	*	8	7	7
NORTH AFRICA	13	13	12	12	12	12	13	12	12	12	*	*	*	15	21	27	28	23	21	19	16	14	13	13
CENTRAL AFRICA	25	22	19	17	14	14	14	14	13	13	*	*	*	20	28	33	37	37	35	34	34	32	29	26
SOUTH AFRICA	20	19	18	15	14	14	14	13	*	*	*	*	*	21	26	25	25	24	24	24	25	27	26	22
MIDDLE EAST	12	12	12	12	14	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	13	14	19	23	21	18	14	13	13	13	12	12
CENTRAL ASIA (P)	11	11	15	15	14	13	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	14	13	12	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
INDIA	11	15	17	15	14	12	*	*	*	*	*	11	11	11	13	19	19	14	13	13	13	12	11	11
THAILAND	23	22	19	16	14	*	*	*	*	٠	10	10	10	11	11	16	18	16	16	14	14	12	11	12
AUSTRALIA	26	26	23	20	17	*	*	*	12	12	11	11	11	10	12	18	24	22	21	20	19	22	24	25
CHINA (P)	18	22	19	16	14	12	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	12	12	12	12	11	11	11	11	12	13
JAPAN	29	25	21	17	14	12	11	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	11	10	10	*	*	*	15	25	32
SOUTH PACIFIC	25	25	22	18	15	13	11	11	11	11	10	10	9	10	13	15	15	20	26	25	25	25	24	25
TO/FROM US EAST COAST																								
CARIBBEAN	12	11	9	9	8	8	8	7	6	6	6	7	13	18	20	21	21	20	20	19	18	18	17	15
SOUTH AMERICA	20	18	16	15	14	13	13	12	11	9	10	12	23	28	28	26	26	26	25	24	24	24	23	22
WESTERN EUROPE	10	10	10	9	9	9	10	10	11	11	11	12	18	26	32	32	30	27	23	19	16	14	12	11
EASTERN EUROPE	8	8	8	8	8	8	9	11	11	11	10	11	15	23	28	26	21	16	13	11	10	9	8	8
NORTH AFRICA	13	13	12	12	12	11	12	12	12	11	11	13	20	27	29	28	27	23	21	19	16	15	14	14
CENTRAL AFRICA	21	18	16	14	14	13	13	13	12	*	*	16	25	30	34	34	34	34	31	31	31	29	26	23
SOUTH AFRICA	20	18	16	15	14	15	14	13	*	*	*	19	26	26	25	25	25	24	24	24	25	26	26	23
MIDDLE EAST	12	12	12	12	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	12	18	27	27	24	22	20	16	14	13	13	13	13
CENTRAL ASIA (P)	11	12	13	16	14	14	13	13	13	13	13	13	15	21	19	15	12	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
INDIA (P)	11	13	17	14	13	13	*	*	*	*	12	12	14	21	26	24	21	16	14	13	13	12	11	11
THAILAND (P)	17	20	17	15	14	13		*	*	12	12	12	13	17	24	24	19	16	15	15	14	12	11	11
AUSTRALIA	26	25	20	16	*	*	*	13	13	12	12	12	12	14	23	25	24	22	21	20	19	22	24	25
CHINA (P)	14	20	18	15	14	13	13	12	12	12	12	12	12	15	13	12	11	11	11	*	11	11	11	12
JAPAN	26	23	20	17	15	14	13	13	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	11	11	*	*	11	11	15	25	29
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^{*} Unfavorable conditions: Search around the last listed frequency for activity.

⁽P) denotes circuit across polar auroral zone; reception may be poor during ionospheric disturbances.

<u>OGRAMMING SPOTLIGHT</u>

Half Full or Half Empty?

o be sure, the decision by Radio Netherlands to end its popular Media Network program in October was a deep disappointment. But perhaps what was even more disappointing was the disrespectful and detrimental reaction by some in the radio listening commu-

When Jonathan Marks made the announcement in September, it would be an understatement to say that the decision came as a surprise. However, maybe we just weren't paying proper attention. The program's copresenter, Diana Janssen, had just recently announced her intention to leave the program for another professional opportunity. It was also becoming more and more evident that events in the telecommunications field were taking place at a increasingly dizzying rate moving beyond the ability to properly chronicle, let alone analyze, in the space of a 25-minute weekly radio magazine.

Parenthetically, I can remember not too long ago, as I began my career in the telecommunications field, when it was nearly impossible to find a single article on any aspect of the field in the space of a week in the business pages of prominent newspapers like The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal. Today, the topic is driving the global economy and dominating the media in all its forms. In a way that even Marshal McLuhen didn't anticipate, the media really has become the message.

The bottom line is that even though we weren't paying close enough attention, Media Network was. After two decades of following such trends, who was in a better position than Jonathan Marks to make this kind of a decision? Not some of his listeners, if their behavior is any indication.

It's clear that at least one of the things we have learned is how to be demanding consumers. We want what we want, when we want it, with no thought or concern about whether what we want is justified, nor of what it might take for someone to get it to us. Sadly, that kind of behavior was clearly in evidence when the decision to end Media Network's run was announced.

This conduct is becoming typical of all too many in the radio listening and hobbyist community. If there is one inevitability beyond death and taxes, it is certainly change. Resisting it is about as effective as standing in front of the ocean and trying to stop a wave with one's hands. Like it or not, you're going to get wet.

Unfortunately, intransigent attitudes like this are only serving to spoil the high regard in which radio professionals once held those in the hobbyist and listening community. Yes, the blame for this hardly falls on just one side of that relationship. But, if you don't think we are living in a highly competitive world where the ability to adapt is the key to survival (let alone happiness and contentment), then, you're just not paying attention.

Radio Netherlands has consistently shown itself to be of the highest professional caliber in both its programming and in its dealings with listeners. Why should any of us think that this has changed? Looking for a villain or a conspiracy in all this is just plain stupid

Now that the shock has worn off, the proper response to Jonathan Marks and his team at Radio Netherlands – even at this late date – is appreciation for all that came before and acceptance (even excited anticipation) of what's coming in the future. I, for one, am hoping that a few of those fine radio documentaries that RN produces so well might have a radio safari in the offing now and then. And, with Andy Sennitt at the helm, I have every confidence that the Media Network webzine, which gladly is to continue, will keep me up to date with what I need to know.

You know, that glass really is more than half full.

The Education Station

If Radio Netherlands deserves its reputation for producing the best documentaries on radio, then Radio Australia should get the same full marks for its efforts in using radio to educate.

When RA refocused its mission a few years ago after a particularly severe budget cut, it stated its intention to produce, in partnership with Australian universities, worthy educational programs on a range of relevant topics for its audiences in Asia and the Pacific (and around the world).

All Radio Australia has done in the interim is co-produce and broadcast four outstanding series, most in multiple languages. They are:

- Money, Markets and the Economy, produced with Monash University to shed some light on the curious and complex worlds of economics and finance.
- In the Pipeline, also produced with Monash University, looking at issues we face in the digital age of converging communications.

- Carving Out, a multimedia series on development in the Pacific in which Pacific Islanders talk about cultural identity, health, education and the state of their environment, while voicing their practical solutions to the big questions affecting the region.
- Globally Speaking: The Politics of **Globalisation**, a series examining how the processes of globalization are affecting human rights, the nation state, democracy and the economy.

Currently, while working on a new series that will debut early in the new year, Radio Australia has turned to its domestic partner's Learning for Life unit for a university-style course on human communications entitled Lines of Communications. "Beginning with the premise that communication is fundamental to the human condition, Lines of Communication surveys the broad-scale theories and practices which have come to define this burgeoning discipline," says a course description on its web site.

UT air times on RA are Fridays 1830, Saturdays 0530 and Sundays 0030 and 2130; and Sundays via the World RadioNetwork at 0705. By the time this MT reaches you, the first six installments of this thirteen-part series will have been broadcast. But no worries mate, every program in this and all the previous series is available in on-demand audio and transcript form, in addition to other interesting and relevant sup-<http:// porting materials, from www.abc.net.au/ra/education/>.

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By Robert Smathers, roberts@nmia.com

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The frequency in the first column is the 1st IF (typical LNB frequency) and the second column frequency (in parentheses) is the 2nd IF (commercial receiver readout) for the SCPC listing. Both frequencies are in MHz.

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GE-2	Transpond	ler-Vertica	I 13 ((C-band)

1178.70 (81.3) NASA space shuttle audio (missions only)

Galaxy 4R Transponder 1-Horizontal (C-band)

1443.80 (56.2)	Voice of Free China (Interna-
	tional Shortwave Broacaster)
	Taipei, Taiwan
1443.60 (56.4)	KBLA-AM (1580) Santa
	Monica, CA-Radio Korea
1438.30 (61.7)	WWRV-AM (1330) New York,
	NY-Spanish religious pro-
	gramming and music, ID-Ra-
	dio Vision Christiana de
	Internacional

Galaxy 4R Transponder 3-Horizontal (C-band)

1404.60 (55.4)	WGN-AM (720) Chicago, IL-
	news and talk radio
1404.40 (55.6)	WMVP-AM (1000) Chicago,
	IL-"ESPN Radio 1000"/Bulls
	NBA radio network
1404.20 (55.8)	Tribune Radio Networks/Wis-
	consin Radio Network
1402.90 (57.1)	USA Radio Network
1402.00 (58.0)	Occasional Audio
1401.80 (58.2)	People's Radio Network
1401.50 (58.5)	Occasional Audio
1399.00 (61.0)	Sports Byline USA/Sports
	Byline Weekend/On Comput-
	ers Radio Show
1398.80 (61.2)	Talk Radio Network (TRN)
1397.50 (62.5)	Minnesota Talking Book Ra-
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	for the blind
1397.10 (62.9)	Wisconsin Radio Network/
(02.0)	Wisconsin college sports
1396.70 (63.3)	Radio America Network
1395.80 (64.2)	WTMJ-AM (620) Milwaukee.
1000.00 (0 1.12)	WI-talk radio/Packers NFL
	radio network/Wisconsin col-
	lege sports
1395.50 (64.5)	Michigan News Network-net-
1000.00 (04.0)	work news feeds
1395.00 (65.0)	Occasional audio
1394.70 (65.3)	WJR-AM (760) Detroit, MI-
1334.70 (03.3)	news and talk radio/Michigan
	News Network/Michigan col-
	lege sports

	work
1382.60 (77.4)	Soldiers Radio Satellite
	(SRS) network-U.S. Army in-
	formation and entertainment
	radio
1382.30 (77.7)	Motor Racing Network (occa-
	sional audio) NASCAR racing
1382.00 (78.0)	Occasional audio
1381.60 (78.4)	KEX-AM (1190) Portland,
	OR-news and talk radio/Trail-
	blazers NBA radio network
1381.40 (78.6)	Occasional audio/Washing-
	ton college sports
1381.20 (78.8)	KJR-AM (950) Seattle, WA-
	sports talk radio/Superson-
	ics NBA radio network
1380.90 (79.1)	Occasional audio
1377.10 (82.9)	In-Touch-reading service
1376.00 (84.0)	Kansas Audio Reader Net-

1382.90 (77.1) Michigan News Network/

Anik E2 Transponder 1-Horizontal (C-band)

work-reading service

1446.00 (54.0)	Canadian Broadcasting Cor-
	poration (CBC) Radio-North
	(Quebec) service

Anik E2 Transponder 5-Horizontal (C-band)

1366.00 (54.0)	Canadian Broadcasting Cor-
	poration (CBC) Radio-North
	(Eastern Arctic) service

Anik E2 Transponder 7-Horizontal (C-band)

1326.00 (66.0)	Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) Radio–North (MacKenzie) service
1325.50 (65.5)	Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBS) Radio-Occasional feeds/events
Anik E2 Transpo	nder 17-Horizontal (C-band)
1126.00 (54.0)	Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) Radio–North (Western Arctic) service
1125.50 (54.5)	Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) Radio–North (Newfoundland and Labrador) service

Anik E2 Transponder 23-Horizontal (C-band)

1006.00 (54.0)	Societe Radio-Canada (SRC)
	Radio-AM Network
1005.50 (54.5)	Canadian Broadcasting Cor-
	poration (CBC) Radio-North
	(Vukon) corvice

Anik E1 Transponder 21-Horizontal (C-band)

1036.70 (63.3)	Wal-Mart In-store music
1037.00 (63.0)	Wal-Mart In-store music
1037.50 (62.5)	Wal-Mart In-store music

Galaxy 10R Transponder 4 (Ku-band)

1012.75	(87.25)	Wal-Mart In-store network
1013.15	(86.85)	Sam's Club In-store network
1013.50	(86.50)	Wal-Mart In-store network
1013.95	(86.05)	Wal-Mart In-store network
1014.25	(85.75)	Sam's Club In-store network
1014.75	(85.25)	Wal-Mart In-store network
1015.05	(84.95)	Wal-Mart In-store network

RCA C5 Transponder 3-Vertical (C-band)

Wyoming News Network/

Northern Ag Network/Wyo-

1404.60 (55.4)

	ming college sports
1400.60 (59.4)	Learfield Communications/
	Indiana college sports
1400.40 (59.6)	Learfield Communications/
	MissouriNet
1400.20 (59.8)	Learfield Communications/
	Rams NFL radio network/
	Purdue college sports
1400.00 (60.0)	Learfield Communications
1396.60 (63.4)	Kansas Information Net-
	work/Kansas Agnet-network
	news feeds
1396.40 (63.6)	Liberty Works Radio Network
1396.20 (63.8)	MissouriNet/Illinois college
	sports
1395.90 (64.1)	Western Montana Radio Net-
	work/Red River Farm Net-
	work/Montana college sports
1395.70 (64.3)	MissouriNet/Kansas State
	college sports
1386.40 (73.6)	Learfield Communications/
	Blues NHL radio network
1386.20 (73.8)	Occasional Audio
1384.00 (76.0)	Occasional Audio/Missouri
	college sports
1383.80 (76.2)	Learfield Communications
1383.40 (76.6)	Occasional Audio
1382.90 (77.1)	MissouriNet/Illinois college
	sports
1382.10 (77.9)	Learfield Communications/
	MissouriNet/Blues NHL ra-
	dio network

1383.10 (76.9) KIRO-AM (710) Seattle, WA-

news and talk radio/ Seahawks NFL radio network

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23(V)

24(H)

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9(V)

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11(V)

12(H)

13(V)

Ku-band

M2: Music Television

MTV-West (VC2 +)

ESPNews (VC2 +)

A&E - West (VC2 +)

Outdoor Channel

(none)

11720

11760

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11800

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11880

11900

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Nickelodeon-West (VC2+)

The Movie Channel (TMC) - West (VC2+)

ESPN/ESPN Classic/ESPNews (digital)

(none)

Data Transmissions

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1(H)	(none)
2(V)	(none)
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6(V)	(none)
7(H)	(none)

8(V) (none) 9(H) (none)

10(V) (none) 11(H) (none) 12(V) (none)

13(H) (none) 14(V) (none)

15(H) (none) 16(V) (none) 17(H) (none)

18(V) (none)

19(H) Data Transmissions

(none)

20(V) (none) 21(H) (none) 22(V) (none) 23(H) (none)

Ku-band

24(V)

T01K(H)	11764	(none)
TO2K(H)	11888	(none)
T03K(H)	12012	(none)
T04K(H)	12136	(none)

Galaxy 10R at 123 degrees West longitude

C-band

Data Transmissions 2(H) Data Transmissions

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3(V)	Data Transmissions	14(H)	11980	Data Transmissions
4(H)	Data Transmissions	15(V)	12000	Data Transmissions
5(V)	Viacom services (digital)	16(H)	12020	Data Transmissions
6(H)	Data Transmissions	17(V)	12040	(none)
7(V)	TVN (digital)	18(H)	12060	Data Transmissions
8(H)	Data Transmissions	19(V)	12080	(none)
9(V)	TVN (digital)	20(H)	12100	(none)
10(H)	(none)	21(V)	12120	(none)
11(V)	(none)	22(H)	12140	(none)
12(H)	TVN (digital)	23(V)	12160	(none)
13(V)	TVN (digital)	24(H)	12180	(none)
14(H)	Sundance Channel (VC2+)			
15(V)	Showtime-West (VC2+)		levy F e4	40F doggood Wo

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Galaxy 5 at 125 degrees West longitude

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nannel (TMC) - West (VC2 $+$) (C2 $+$)	2(V)	Playboy Channel (VC2+)
(2+)	3(H)	Trinity Broadcasting Network (TBN)
(2+)	4(V)	Sci-Fi Channel (VC2+)
	5(H)	CNN (VC2+)
Classic/ESPNews (digital)	6(V)	TBS (VC2+)
VC2+)	7(H)	WGN (VC2 +)
nnel	8(V)	HBO-West (VC2+)
	9(H)	ESPN (VC2+)
	10(V)	Infomercials
(none)	11(H)	FOX Family Channel - East (VC $2+$)
11740 Data Transmissions	12(V)	Discovery Channel - East (VC2+)
(none)	13(H)	CNBC (VC2+)
Wal-Mart TV (digital)/Wal-Mart In-store	14(V)	ESPN2 (VC2+)
audio/Data Transmissions	15(H)	HBO-East (VC2 $+$)
(none)	16(V)	Cinemax - West (VC2 $+$)
Data Transmissions	17(H)	TNT - East (VC2 $+$)
Data Transmissions	18(V)	TNN - East (VC2 $+$)
Data Transmissions	19(H)	USA Network - East (VC2 $+$)
(none)	20(V)	Black Entertainment TV (VC2 $+$)
Data Transmissions	21(H)	(none)
Data Transmissions	22(V)	CNN Headline News (VC2 $+$)

A&E - East (VC2 +)

Showtime - East (VC2 +)

Disney-Fast (VC2 \pm)

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4DTV Saves the Day (Maybe)

he satellite TV industry has a cyclical history of boom and bust. From 1978 to 1986 the original C-band industry enjoyed wild growth. However, in '86 the introduction of encryption blew the wheels right off the train and the industry sailed off the tracks. Strong, industry-wide growth came slowly and continued until 1994 when the small dish revolution caused another train wreck. The industry has never recovered and, according to one trade group, continues to lose 20,000 viewers per month year round.

Not All It Could Be

This past summer Motorola planned to introduce its new version of 4DTV, but typically, ran into a few production problems. Now, Ajamu Bernard, 4DTV Marketing Manager, says the revised receiver should be at dealers by the time you read this. Bernard also says there will be essentially four improvements on the basic 4DTV design: 1) beef up the audio to Dolby AC3 quality, 2) improve internal software to allow the tuner to run faster, 3) the addition of a baseband video connection which allows consumers to use "stand alone" devices such as GI's

HDTV decoder, and 4) a "four-



It took two years for industry giant General Instrument (GI) to respond to this last bust and by 1996 it was offering what it believed was the ultimate in satellite TV receivers. Dubbed 4DTV, GI's product could receive traditional analog channels, VideoCipherII (VCII) encrypted channels, DigiCipherII (DCII) digital channels and DigiCipherII encrypted channels. The four main transmission modes of the late 90s could all be tuned in by this one receiver. Unfortunately, the first 4DTV receivers didn't debut until mid-1997. By then the DBS craze was in full frenzy. Viewers were attracted to the small dish system's ever decreasing cost, minimum landscape impact antenna and growing number of channel offerings.

While system prices have declined greatly since their introduction, escalating programming fees have made disgruntled customers of some original viewers. Meanwhile, GI was sold to Motorola which has seen fit to pour more money into the 4DTV project to produce a second generation 4DTV receiver. Could the time be right for another C-band boom?

control which allows the viewer to control any contemporary TV set, VCR, or stereo amplifier in addition to controlling the 4DTV.

Unfortunately, one of the drawbacks of the delay in making available this minimal redesign is that virtually all the inventory of the original version of 4DTV has been sold, thereby creating an instant shortage. This contrived shortage coupled with the slow ramp-up of production further guarantees that street prices for the new 4DTV will remain at or possibly above manufacturer's suggested retail price (considerably over \$1,000) for some time to come. Ordinarily this would be a terrific way to run a business, but, with consumers literally abandoning their C-band systems in the field at the rate of more than a quarter of a million per year, Motorola could be faulted for helping to scuttle the ship it's supposed to be righting.

Now the Good News

Having harped on Motorola's uncanny sense of timing and pricing policies, you might assume that I don't care much for this receiver. Wrong! It is the best C-band satellite receiver on the market. Let me go further: It's the best full-function, C/Ku-band receiver ever made. Here is a receiver which tunes all the analog, VCII, and DCII audio and video services on both C and Ku-bands in a nearly seamless fashion. Viewers will be hard pressed to know when the unit has switched from C-band to Ku-band; from VCII to DCII, from analog to digital. It's simply an amazing feat of electronic engineering.

But wait, there's more! Built into the software is a complete on-screen guide which not only tells the viewer what's on, but what will be on next hour, or the next, or the next after that. In addition, by scrolling through the guide, highlighting each program, the viewer can hit the "info" button and find out just what the program

Last minute changes don't make it into your printed guide? Not a problem with 4DTV. At night, while you're fast asleep, the receiver turns itself on, commands the dish to go to Galaxy 10 to download all the programming schedule information for the next day. To watch any program listed in the on-screen guide simply highlight it with the "up/down" buttons on the re-



Rear panel of 4DTV features C/Ku-band LNB inputs, S-video output, fixed and variable audio outputs, external antenna input (for terrestrial TV), baseband video output (for stand-alone decoders), and slot for VCII decoder module. (Courtesy Motorola)



Sparse layout for Motorola's 4DTV belies its amazing capabilities. This receiver brings in over 500 channels of analog, VCII and DCII programming. (Courtesy Motorola)

mote and press the "enter" button. The receiver sends the dish to the proper satellite and tunes the proper channel. You don't have to know where anything is.

The front panel of the 4DTV looks like any other digital receiver, but there are some differences worth noting. In addition to the green LED channel read-out, there's an LED to indicate when you've tuned in a VCII channel or DCII channel. Most functions keyed on the 4DTV remote can be accessed from the three extra front panel buttons. There's also a drop-down door for access to a "smart card" reader slot should one be needed in the future.

Installation and Set-up

Installing and setting up a 4DTV receiver to replace your current receiver is not difficult. The receiver is packed with three well designed publications: 4DTV Viewer's Handbook (explains all the 4DTV features); 4DTV Reference Guide (details installation procedures including a list of TV, VCR, Stereo and Cable Box codes for single remote operation of all your affiliated devices); and an 18" x 24" fold-out poster with step-by-step procedures carefully laid out.

Among the conveniences 4DTV offers is the ability to record up to three different programs or movies each day just by setting the on-screen timers. There are two sets of guide "favorites" which allow you to customize the on-screen guide to include only those channels of interest to you. This reduces the size of the guide to a more manageable level.

While you're watching a program you may call up the on-screen guide, reduce it to one third the screen size so that you can still watch the program while channel surfing. You can get the guide to call up only those channels listed in six different categories (Movies, News, Sports, Music, Networks, Pay-Per-View). This lets you get right to whatever it is you want to see without having to sort through the hundreds of available channels.

If you have current subscriptions on VCII channels your VCII module slips right into the

back of the receiver and provides seamless programming with the DCII programming. You'll find that you'll need to keep your VCII module operating because quite a few popular channels (such as TBS, the Weather Channel, etc.) are not yet available in DCII mode.

There's not enough room on these two pages to list the hundreds of analog, VCII or DCII channels you can receive with 4DTV. But that's not all: Among the great things you'll find, once you've done the installation, are the 80 plus channels of commercial free, announcer free music. Renown music service provider, DMX, has 43 channels of as many different formats of music while Music Choice, DMX's competitor, has 45 channels in their own formats. Both services are free to DCII owners. Both services display current songs along with their album names, artist, and composer on-screen while the song is playing.

Looking to the Future

Motorola knows that not everyone who's staying with big dish satellite TV wants to abandon their current receiver for a new 4DTV so they're working on a unit they call the "Digital Sidecar" (DSR-905) which should be out by mid 2001. This product is designed to be used as a 4DTV "slave" receiver, converting DCII signals into analog signals along with the ability to display the Interactive Program Guide.

Motorola also has an HDTV decoder module (HDD-200) designed to receive programming sent in the DCII HDTV format. The widescreen 16:9 ratio output must be seen on a widescreen HDTV set. The HDD-200 is already available at \$900, but, with only a few HDTV channels being transmitted and the price of HDTV sets over \$2,000, it's a product for the electronic elite.

Last Word

4DTV will not receive FTA MPEGII signals and there are very few wild feeds using the DCII mode though it is in wide use among Public TV networks. Furthermore, reception of 4DTV digi-

tal signals via C/Ku-band systems requires at least an 8-ft. dish.

As mentioned, prices for the new 4DTV receivers will be at a premium. For discounted prices your best bet is to look for a used 4DTV receiver or find someone switching over to the small dish. Prices for used receivers should be much cheaper and, given the quality of the products, they should last a long time.

It won't be too many years before the bulk of all "cable" type programming is done via the DCII mode. The proliferation of DCII channels throughout the Clarke Belt indicates that we'll all need DCII reception capability in the future.

For a list of available 4DTV channels see **http://www.gi.com**. For prices see your local dealer or call Skyvision 800-500-9275.





Lawrence@itchycoo-park.freeserve.co.uk http://www.itchycoo-park.freeserve.co.uk/wxsats.html

Performance Anxiety

he first images from a newly launched weather satellite (WXSAT) are always awaited with great interest. Although launches are considered "old hat," nothing is ever certain until those first beeps are heard from the APT (automatic picture transmission) transponder. The fact that problems can still happen during launch and deployment is only too evident when listening to the APT from Meteor 2-21. This was switched back on some weeks ago while Meteor 3-5 was off. Its antenna is believed to have failed to attain the correct configuration, leading to poor and uneven signal transmission characteristics.

A large number of people were standing by their receivers when NOAA-L was launched on September 21. I took the opportunity to watch the launch via a streaming video link from NASA on the Internet – the first time that this opportunity has arisen for me. It was really impressive to see the launch in real-time, and it was only a few hours later that updated Kepler elements became available. NOAA (National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration) staff had issued preliminary Kepler elements to enable users of satellite tracking software to know approximately when to expect the satellite to come over the local horizon. In fact, even these were not essential, except to users of high resolution imagery - who need to use a tracking antenna for the 1707 MHz signal.

Within hours of transmissions being enabled, regular correspondents to the WXSAT forums had posted their first images from NOAA-L on their web sites. American monitors had first go at NOAA-L because transmissions did not commence during the satellite's pass over Britain. I waited next to my receiver wondering when I would hear the 137.62 MHz transmission – but this did not happen during these first few orbits. Reports indicated that only when the satellite was passing over the east coast of America, was it commanded on. Lucky folk – but after all, it was launched by NOAA!

NOAA-L early orbit images

Jim Scheffler was amongst the first to capture NOAA-LAPT transmissions during the first flight transmitting over the east coast. His image clearly shows the southern coastline of Greenland near top-left, as well as the cloud systems over the east coast. Jim lives in Southern New England, Massachusetts, where he has a variety of receiving equipment.

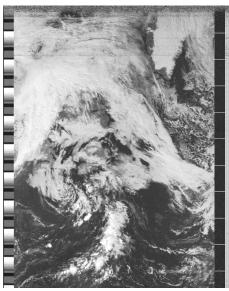


Fig 1: NOAA-L September 21, 1643 UTC from Jim Scheffler http://webpages.charter.net/jim1764/weathersats/



Fig 2: NOAA-L September 21, 1820 UTC from Ronnie Holman http://adsl-77-240-77.rdu.bellsouth.net/ weather

Milan Konecny also processed his first NOAA-L image for display on his web site at: http://www3.sympatico.ca/konecny/weather.htm Figure 3 was captured by David Brooks from a near overhead NOAA-L pass to the west of Barbados. This twin-channel view is only seen during the early days of testing, while both the visible-light channels are active. David commented that image quality was great and the signal strength was good.

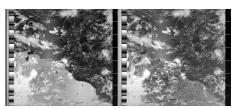


Fig 3: NOAA-L twin channel September 23, 2000, at 1745 UTC from David Brooks http://www.brohavwx.com/ORBITOR.jpg

NOAA-16 infrared

By their very nature, infrared (thermal) sensors are sensitive to heat radiation — and to peform effectively, they must be cooled. When a satellite first attains orbit, its surfaces contain absorbed gases and possibly other contaminants, so a period of time must elapse before such temperature sensitive systems can be activated. Within a few days of exposure to the vacuum of space, the gases are dispelled, and after two weeks or so, the system has stabilized and is ready for operations.

The channel 3A (long visible) sensor on NOAA-16 was commanded on with channels 1 and 2. Channel 3B is the normal infrared channel (along with channels 4 and 5) that is commanded on after out-gassing of those detectors is complete.

In normal operation, 3A will be used part of the time, alternating with 3B. In order to preserve the 5-channel HRPT format for all the legacy HRPT systems that exist, they cannot both be on simultaneously. NOAA-15 also has a channel 3A, but it was only on for very limited periods to gather some data sets for testing. Channel 3A was considered more of an experimental channel on NOAA-15, while it will be operational on NOAA-16.

NOAA plans to develop a schedule of channel 3A operations, to ensure that it will be in use to best utilize its sensing capabilities; that schedule will be announced in due course. Channel 3B is likely to be used more often than 3A. Thanks to Wayne Winston of NOAA for this latest information.

Replacing NOAA-14

NOAA-L (now NOAA-16) was designed to replace NOAA-14. If you already receive APT or HRPT from NOAA-14, you might wonder why the latter should need a replacement spacecraft. A look behind the scenes will answer this question. NOAA-J (14) was launched on De-

cember 30, 1994, into an afternoon orbit, and is currently designated as the operational "afternoon" satellite. A few hours after launch, a regulator valve leak caused the spacecraft to experience an attitude (direction pointing) anomaly. The satellite was recovered within hours and remained in a stable orbit. In January 1995, it was determined that one of the four Space Environment Monitor (SEM) telescopes was inoperative, reducing data collection by 12 per-

In February 1995, the SARP (Search and Rescue Processor) failed, then the SBUV/2 (Solar Backscatter Ultra-violet Radiometer) Cloud Cover Radiometer (CCR) failed, and DTR (digital tape re-

corder) 4A/4B became inoperable. The ESA (Earth Sensor Array) exhibited high data counts due to apparent contamination of the detector. In March 1995, the MSU (Microwave Sounding Unit) scanner seized and the instrument was powered off. After three weeks, the MSU was powered on and has been operating satisfactorily since then. Flight software was modified in April 1995, to correct the high ESA Q3 counts, and to turn off the MSU should the scanner seize again.

Between April 1995 and December 1996 the SBUV grating drive experienced significant degradation. The grating drive control was reprogrammed to compensate for these problems, as well as for the CCR failure. Other instruments operate satisfactorily. In November 1995, the Demodulator portion of the Command Receiver and Demodulator (CRD) for On-board Processor #1 (OBP1) failed, resulting in the loss of the backup OBP: OBP1 was commanded off. Flight software and ground software packages were modified to permit the use of, and commanding to, only OBP #2.

Operational WXSATS

Once NOAA-L was confirmed operating nominally, it was renamed NOAA-16. Meanwhile, we shall continue to receive transmissions from NOAA-14 on the same frequencies but at different times. NOAA-12 continues nominal image transmissions, unlike NOAA-15 which continues to provide largely unusable imagery on both APT and HRPT frequencies.

Meteor 3-5 continues "resting" during those times when its orbit precesses through periods of low solar illumination. Transmissions from Meteor 2-21 usually replace those from Meteor



World Meteorological Organization

WMO Satellite Activities

Future Geostationary Satellites Coordinated within CGMS (as of July 2000)

Sector	Future additional satellites	Operator	Planned launch date	(Planned location) Other remarks
East-Pacific (180°W-108°W)	GOES-M GOES-N GOES-O	USA/NOAA USA/NOAA USA/NOAA	2001 2002 2005	135° W and 75° W
West-Atlantic (108°W-36°W)	GOES-P GOES-Q	USA/NOAA USA/NOAA	2007 2010	
East-Atlantic (36°W-36°E)	MSG-1 MSG-2 MSG-3	EUMETSAT EUMETSAT EUMETSAT	10/2000 04/2002 2006	0° 0° 0°
Indian Ocean (36°E-108°E)	GOMS-N2 INSAT III-A INSAT III-D	Russian Fed India India	2001 2000 2003	76° E
West-Pacific (108°E- 180°E)	MTSAT-1R MTSAT-2	Japan Japan	2002 2004	Multi-functional Transport Satellite 140°E

Fig 4: World Meteorological Organization chart of future geostationary satellites - courtesy Donald Hinsman

3-5 during the latter's off periods. Resurs 01-N4 provides continuous transmissions while in sunlight, and, like the NOAA satellites, is in a sun-synchronous orbit, so transmissions are received during the same time period each day.

The Geostationary scene

The successful launch of GOES-L (now renamed GOES-11) earlier this year has continued the gradual upgrading of weather satellites in geostationary orbit. The geostationary arc encircling the world can be divided into five sections – see figure 4. Satellites from the USA, Eumetsat, Russian Federation, India, Japan and China are listed according to their longitude allocations. With GOES-L (11) already in orbit, and successfully undergoing tests, America remains on course for the future, with the next GOES mission – GOES-M – scheduled for launch in 2001.

Eumetsat's Meteosat Second Generation-1 (MSG-1) was officially scheduled for launch in October 2000, but a recent announcement states that this has been shifted to January 2002 – a significant delay due to ground segment problems, and the non-availability of the Ariane-4 launcher. This is a real disappointment for European WXSAT monitors who have been looking forward to the significant image quality improvements inherent with MSG-1. The new spacecraft will carry a 12-channel imager, including two visible-light channels and seven (!) infrared bands, as well as two near-infrared channels. Interestingly, I notice an acknowledgement that the amount of data produced by the sensors will be so high that it will only be able to downlink half of the 1km visible light data.

The Russian Federation is currently plan-

ning to launch GOMS-N2 in 2001, after delays in the program. India has an Insat communications satellite in orbit over the Indian ocean, and this carries an imaging package. China recently launched Fengyun-2B which is officially undergoing tests, though apparently regular imagery is already available. Finally, Japan has re-scheduled launch of its new Metsat series for 2002.

The retransmission by GOES of imagery from other satellites means that those monitoring GOES can anticipate reliable image flow for the foreseeable future.

Frequencies

NOAA-12 transmits APT on 137.50 MHz

NOAA-14 and NOAA-16 transmit APT on 137.62 MHz

NOAA-15 (fault condition) transmits APT on 137.50 MHz

Meteor 3-5 may transmit APT on 137.30 MHz when in sunlight

Meteor 2-21 may transmit APT on 137.40 MHz when in sunlight Resurs 1-4 transmits APT on 137.85 MHz

Okean-O, Okean-4 and Sich-1 sometimes transmit APT briefly on 137.40 MHz

GOES-8 and GOES-10 use 1691 MHz for WEFAX

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Federal Freqs in Alaska

egular Fed File reporter Mark Cobbeldick, KB4CVN, has just returned from Alaska, and passes along some federal frequency information he monitored while in the 49th state.

Denali National Park and Preserve

166.300 [CSQ]/168.2250[100.0 PL]

Main Park Operations and Law Enforcement [Mt. Healy transmitter site for Denali East with another link on 411.650-LVH]

168.350 [CSQ]

Flagmen on road maintenance (I show this as a NIFC channel). [This is a maintenance and operations common user freq-LVH]

411.825 [123.0]

Point-to-point link (same traffic as 166.300 MHZ) 151.745[146.2]/Unknown [146.2?]

NPS visitor busses in park (busses operated by ARA?)

Anchorage Area Fed Freqs

412.400 [118.8] Carrier 415.400 [118.8] Carrier

Mark never heard any traffic on either frequency above

Kenai Peninsula

166.375 [?]/Unknown [?]

Unknown user in Seward area (only heard one transmission on frequency, but it was via a repeater). [This is an Alaskan Railroad freq with an input of 171.725-LVH]

172.450 [?]/Unknown [?]

Unknown user (only heard one transmission on frequency, but it was via a repeater). [This is the US Fish and Wildlife Service statewide in Alaska with an input frequency of 169.725, UHF links include 411.625/411.675/417.675-LVH]

168.375 [?]

Unknown (only heard one digital transmission on this frequency) [My best guess is this is an Interior Dept nationwide assignment-LVH]

While on the Kenai Peninsula, Mark searched for possible transmissions from the US Fish and Wildlife Service serving the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge. Mark noted that their vehicles had quarterwave VHF high band whips on them, but he never monitored any confirmed traffic on their known frequencies. The single digital transmission he heard on 168.375 could have been them, using APCO-25 format equipment. The Interior Department has mandated that all new equipment purchases must be APCO-25 format equipment. Mark noted that there are a few exceptions since nobody currently manufacturers a narrowband/APCO-25 repeater with a standby current draw of <20mA @ 13.8 VDC that some agencies have requested and need.

Mark also did not monitor any known transmissions from the Chugach National Forest and the Kenai Fjords National Park. For Mark and the rest of our *MT* readers here are the notes I have on these two government installations.

Kenai Fjords National Park

166.300/166.900

Park Management, Public Safety, Law Enforcement

166.300/168.225

Park Management, Public Safety, Law Enforcement

166.750/168.575

Park Management, Public Safety, Law Enforcement

Chugach National Forest

169.175/169.825 (136.5 PL)

Fixed Repeater

169.175/169.925 (110.9 PL)

Fixed Repeater

169.175/169.975 (110.9/123.0/131.8/136.5/146.2 PL) Fixed Repeater

169.175/169.925 (156.7 PL)

Transportable Repeater

169.175/169.975 (156.7/167.9 PL)

Transportable Repeater

411.550/415.550

UHF Link

NASA Communications

Fed File regular Mike Comer passes along below the latest information on the new Kennedy Space Center trunk system. Thanks for the update, Mike.

Control channels: 406.2375 406.4375 406.6375 Voice channels: 406.3750 406.8375 407.0375 407.8375 408.0375 408.4375 408.6375 409.0250 409.6375

System Talk Groups

Fire/Rescue 173.5625(?) This assignment is questionable now. Mike can listen to 165.0875 and 48 lights up every time someone talks, then other times 48 comes up with nothing heard on 165.0875. And 48 no longer comes up with 173.5625 at all.

80 Unknown

2768 Unknown

4400 Unknown

4432 Security 173.6875 (this talk group is now quiet, 173.6875 still in use)

While we are on the subject of NASA since we are going to see more and more space shuttle missions thanks to International Space Station, here are some of the latest satellite based frequencies associated with mission communications. Many thanks to Ivan Artner, Joe Blasco, Keith Elgin, John Locker, Jim Kunowsky, Paul Marsh, Ross McCallum, and the SCPC-FDM newsgroup (http://www.onelist.com/community/scpc-fdm).

During shuttle missions internet monitors might want to check into IRC-NET channel #satcom for live chats with others listening to shuttle missions and the latest frequencies being used by space shuttle/space station support groups.

Inmarsat Atlantic Ocean Region East (AOR-E) Satellite NASA Nets

1536.025 1537.875 1537.975 1538.875 1540.175 1540.475 1541.125 1541.225

UHF Milsat Nets

261.650 Shuttle Launch Support

261.750 Shuttle Launch Support {Cape Osborne, TAL Ben Guerir, D1W and King 4}

If you are interested in picking up Inmarsat communications, I invite you to contact *MT* advertiser Swagur Enterprises at 608-592-7409 or http://www.swagur.com.

Pisgah National Forest

Thad Osborne from Knoxville recently visited the area of Pineola, North Carolina, which adjoins the Grandfather District of the Pisgah National Forest. He did some extensive monitoring while in the area and passes along the following Forest Service information.

TX1/RX1 168.725 (103.5)/168.725 (CSQ) Pisgah National Forest Simplex

TX2/RX2 171.475 (103.5)/171.475 (CSQ) Nantahala National Forest Simplex

TX3/RX3 169.900 (CSQ)/169.900 (CSQ) Interior Dept TAC?

TX4/RX4 172.225 (136.5)/168.725 (CSQ) Pisgah National Forest repeater

TX5/RX5 172.225 (103.5)/168.725 (CSQ) Pisgah National Forest repeater

TX6/RX6 172.225 (146.2)/168.725 (CSQ)

Pisgah National Forest repeater TX7/RX7 155.160 (186.2)/155.160 (CSQ)

Banner Elk Medcom TX8/RX8 Blank/162.400 (CSQ)

NOAA WX2

TX9/RX9 173.8125 (CSQ)/168.475 (CSQ)

NIFC "Command 6" TX10/RX10 168.750 (131.8)/168.750 (CSQ) Forest Service Fire Net

Thanks to Thad and all our contributors to this edition of the Fed Files column. Now it is time to look at this month's federal spectrum scan. In this issue we continue our detailed look at the reorganized 406-420 MHz UHF federal land mobile service. Happy holidays to all and until next year, 73 and good hunting.

Table One: Federal UHF Land Mobile Service

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Frequency 408.0000	Ch/Paired Freq 152/417.0000	Agencies Air Force, Army, Bureau of the Mint, Energy Department, Environ-	408.6125 408.6250	201/417.6125 202/417.6250	(No reported activity) Army, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management,	409.3375	259/418.3375	Government Itinerant: wide area. common use repeater output (input 418.3375)/simplex (Nationwide)
.55.5000	.52,	mental Protection Agency, FAA, FBI, NASA, National Gallery of Art, Navy, Post Office, Treasury Department, US Information Agency, Veterans Administration	408.6375	203/417.6375	Fish and Wildlife Service, Geologic Survey, Interior Dept (Nation- wide), NASA, National Park Service, Navy, Post Office, TVA (No reported activity)	409.3500	260/418.3500	Federal Trunk Group 4 (paired with 417.3500): Air Force, Army, Bureau of Prisons, Coast Guard, Energy Dept, NASA, Navy, Post Office
408.0125	153/417.0125	(No reported activity)	408.6500	204/417.6500	Air Force	409.3625	261/418.3625	(No reported activity)
408.0250	154/417.0250	Air Force, Army, Energy Dept, FAA, Labor Dept, Navy, Post Office, Secret Service, Veterans Administration	408.6625 408.6750	205/417.6625 206/417.6750	(No reported activity) Bureau of Mines (Nationwide), Fish and Wildlife Service (Nation-	409.3750	262/418.3750	Air Force, Army, NASA, Energy Dept, Federal Reserve System, Navy, Post Office, Veterans Administration
408.0375	155/417.0375	(No reported activity)	400.0730	200/417.0730	wide), Geologic Survey, Interior Dept (Nationwide), National Park	409.3875	263/418.3875	(No reported activity)
408.0500	156/417.0500	Air Force, Army, Corps of Engineers, Energy Dept, Health and Hu- man Services, Navy, Post Office, TVA, Veterans Administration	408.6875	207/417.6875	Service (Nationwide) (No reported activity)	409.4000	264/418.4000	Air Force, Army, Energy Dept, Library of Congress, Navy, Veterans Administration (Nationwide)
408.0625	157/417.0625	(No reported activity)	408.7000	208/417.7000	Commerce Dept	409.4125	265/418.4125	(No reported activity)
408.0750	158/417.0750	Army, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Mines, Bureau of Rec-	408.7125 408.7250	209/417.7125	(No reported activity)	409.4250	266/418.4250	Air Force, Army, Bureau of Prisons, Energy Dept, NASA, Navy
		lamation, Geologic Survey, Interior Dept (Nationwide), National Park Service, Social Security Administration	400.7250	210/417.7250	Army, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Reclamation, Federal Reserve System, FEMA, Interior Dept (Nationwide), National Park	409.4375 409.4500	267/418.4375 268/418.4500	(No reported activity) Air Force, Army, Energy Dept, FAA, Federal Reserve System, Navy,
408.0875	159/417.0875	(No reported activity)	400 7075	011 (417 7075	Service	400 4/05	0/0/410 4/05	Post Office, TVA, Veterans Administration
408.1000	160/417.1000	Air Force, Energy Dept, FBI, Navy, Post Office, State Dept, Veter- ans Administration	408.7375 408.7500	211/417.7375 212/417.7500	(No reported activity) Federal Trunk Group 1 (paired with 417.5500): Air Force, Army,	409.4625 409.4750	269/418.4625 270/418.4750	(No reported activity) Army, Energy Dept, FAA, Navy
408.1125	161/417.1125	(No reported activity)	400 7/05		Bureau of Prisons, Energy Dept, NASA, Navy	409.4875	271/418.4875	FAA
408.1250	162/417.1250	Air Force, Army (Nationwide), Bureau of Prisons, Energy Dept, Library of Congress, NASA (Nationwide), Navy, Post Office, Veter-	408.7625 408.7750	213/417.7625 214/417.7750	(No reported activity) Army, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management,	409.5000 409.5125	272/418.5000 273/418.5125	Army, Energy Dept, FBI, HUD, Navy (No reported activity)
400 1075	1/0/417 1075	ans Administration			Energy Dept, FEMA, Interior Dept (Nationwide), National Park Ser-	409.5250	274/418.5250	Air Force, Army, Bureau of Reclamation, Energy Dept, Federal
408.1375 408.1500	163/417.1375 164/417.1500	(No reported activity) Federal Trunk Group 3 (paired with 416.9500): Air Force, Army,	408.7875	215/417.7875	vice (No reported activity)	409.5375	275/418.5375	Reserve System, NASA, Post Office (No reported activity)
		Bureau of Prisons, Energy Dept, FAA, NASA (Nationwide), Navy,	408.8000	216/417.8000	Air Force, Army, Energy Dept, NASA (Nationwide), Navy	409.5500	276/418.5500	Federal Trunk Group 1 (paired with 418.3500): Air Force, Army,
408.1625	165/417.1625	Post Office, Veterans Administration (No reported activity)	408.8125 408.8250	217/417.8125 218/417.8250	(No reported activity) Energy Dept, FAA (Nationwide), Post Office			Bureau of Prisons, FAA, NASA, National Park Service, Navy, Post Office
408.1750	166/417.1750	Air Force, Army, Bureau of the Mint, Energy Dept, FAA, FBI, GSA,	408.8375	219/417.8375	(No reported activity)	409.5625	277/418.5625	(No reported activity)
408.1875	167/417.1875	Navy, Post Office, Veterans Administration (No reported activity)	408.8500 408.8625	220/417.8500 221/417.8625	WHCA (Nationwide) (No reported activity)	409.5750 409.5875	278/418.5750 279/418.5875	Army, Energy Dept, FAA, Interior Dept (No reported activity)
408.2000	168/417.2000	Air Force, Energy Dept, NASA, Navy, TVA, Veterans Administration	408.8750	222/417.8750	WHCA (Nationwide)	409.6000	280/418.6000	Army, Energy Dept, FAA, Forest Service, House of Representatives,
408.2125 408.2250	169/417.2125 170/417.2250	(No reported activity) Bureau of Prisons, FBI, Immigration and Naturalization Service	408.8875 408.9000	223/417.8875 224/417.9000	(No reported activity) Commerce Dept	409.6125	281/418.6125	Navy (No reported activity)
		(Nationwide)	408.9125	225/417.9125	(No reported activity)	409.6250	282/418.6250	State Department (Nationwide)
408.2375 408.2500	171/417.2375 172/417.2500	FBI FAA, FBI, Immigration and Naturalization Service (Nationwide),	408.9250 408.9375	226/417.9250 227/417.9375	WHCA (Nationwide) (No reported activity)	409.6375 409.6500	283/418.6375 284/418.6500	(No reported activity) Air Force, Army, Forest Service, NASA, National Park Service, Navy,
		Justice Dept, Navy	408.9500	228/417.9500	Air Force, Army, Bureau of Prisons, Energy Dept, NASA, Navy			Post Office, Veterans Administration
408.2625 408.2750	173/417.2625 174/417.2750	(No reported activity) DEA, Immigration and Naturalization Service (Nationwide)	408.9625 408.9656	229/417.9625	(No reported activity) Low power, non-voice 5 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency	409.6625 409.6750	285/418.6625 286/418.6750	(No reported activity) Hydrologic Channel (center frequency): US Government/Non-Gov-
408.2875	175/417.2875	(No reported activity)			(408.965625) [until December 31, 2004]	107.0750	200, 110.0750	ernment Agencies (12.5 kHz or greater simplex only) [authorized
408.3000	176/417.3000	Bureau of Prisons, DEA, FBI, Immigration and Naturalization Ser- vice (Nationwide), Justice Dept, Navy	408.9687		Low power, non-voice 5-10 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency (408.968750) [until December 31, 2004]	409.6875	287/418.6875	for use until December 31, 2007] (No reported activity)
408.3125	177/417.3125	(No reported activity)	408.9718		Low power, non-voice 5 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency	409.7000	288/418.7000	Air Force, Navy, State Dept, Treasury Dept
408.3250 408.3375	178/417.3250 179/417.3375	FBI, Immigration and Naturalization Service (Nationwide) (No reported activity)	408.9750	230/417.9750	(408.971875) [until December 31, 2004] Corps of Engineers, Secret Service (Nationwide)	409.7125 409.7250	289/418.7125 290/418.7250	(No reported activity) Hydrologic Channel (center frequency): US Government/Non-Gov-
408.3500	180/417.3500	Federal Trunk Group 2 (paired with 416.3500): Air Force, Army,.	408.9781		Low power, non-voice 5 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency			ernment Agencies (12.5 kHz or greater simplex only) [authorized
		Bureau of Prisons, Energy Dept, Immigration and Naturalization Service (Nationwide), NASA, Navy	408.9812		(408.978125) [until December 31, 2004] Low power, non-voice 5-10 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency	409.7375	291/418.7375	for use until December 31, 2007] (No reported activity)
408.3625	181/417.3625	(No reported activity)			(408.981250) [until December 31, 2004]	409.7500	292/418.7500	Federal Trunk Group 3 (paired with 418.5500): Air Force, Army,
408.3750 408.3875	182/417.3750 183/417.3875	DEA, Immigration and Naturalization Service (Nationwide) (No reported activity)	408.9843		Low power, non-voice 5 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency (408.984375) [until December 31, 2004]	409.7625	293/418.7625	Bureau of Prisons, Energy Dept, NASA, National Park Service, Navy (No reported activity)
408.4000	184/417.4000	US Government (all agencies) common use frequency [until De-	408.9875	231/417.9875	(No reported activity)	409.7750	294/418.7750	Air Force, Army, Energy Dept, FBI, Navy, Post Office, Smithsonian
408.4125	185/417.4125	cember 31, 2004] (No reported activity)	409.0000	232/418.0000	Army, Coast Guard (Nationwide), Food and Drug Administration, HHS (Nationwide), Indian Health Service, Navy	409.7875	295/418.7875	Institute, Treasury Dept, Veterans Administration (No reported activity)
408.4250	186/417.4250	Air Force, Army, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reda-	409.0125	233/418.0125	(No reported activity)	409.8000	296/418.8000	Army, Energy Dept, FAA, Navy
		mation, Energy Dept, FAA, Interior Dept (Nationwide), NASA, Na- tional Park Service, Navy, Post Office, TVA, Veterans Administra-	409.0250	234/418.0250	Air Force, Army, Energy Dept, FAA, Federal Reserve System, Food and Drug Administration, Labor Dept, NASA, Navy, Post Office,	409.8125 409.8250	297/418.8125 298/418.8250	(No reported activity) Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Energy Dept, FAA, GSA, National
400 4275	107/417 4275	tion	400 0275	225/410 0275	State Dept, Treasury Dept, Veterans Administration	400 0275	200/410 0275	Science Foundation, Navy, Post Office
408.4375 408.4500	187/417.4375 188/417.4500	(No reported activity) Air Force, Commerce Dept	409.0375 409.0500	235/418.0375 236/418.0500	(No reported activity) Government Itinerant: wide area, common use repeater output	409.8375 409.8500	299/418.8375 300/418.8500	(No reported activity) Air Force, Army, Energy Dept, FAA, National Park Service, Navy
408.4625	189/417.4625	(No reported activity)	400.0725	227/410 0/25	(input 418.050)/simplex (Nationwide)	409.8625	301/418.8625	(No reported activity)
408.4750	190/417.4750	Army, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, FAA, Interior Dept (nationwide), Labor Dept, National Park Ser-	409.0625 409.0750	237/418.0625 238/418.0750	(No reported activity) Government Itinerant: local area, common use repeater output	409.8656		Low power, non-voice 5 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency (409.865625) [until December 31, 2004]
400 407E	101/417 4075	vice, Navy, Post Office (No reported activity)	400 0075	220/410 0075	(input 418.075)/simplex (Nationwide) (No reported activity)	409.8687		Low power, non-voice 5-10 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency
408.4875 408.4906	191/417.4875	Low power, non-voice 5 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency	409.0875 409.1000	239/418.0875 240/418.1000	Army, Energy Dept, FAA, House of Representatives (Nationwide),	409.8718		(409.868750) [until December 31, 2004] Low power, non-voice 5 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency
408.4937		(408.490625) [until December 31, 2004] Low power, non-voice 5-10 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency			Navy, Office of Technological Assessment, Post Office, US Infor- mation Agency	409.8750	302/418.8750	(409.871875) [until December 31, 2004] Treasury Dept (Nationwide)
		(408.493750) [until December 31, 2004]	409.1125	241/418.1125	(No reported activity)	409.8781	JUL/ 41U.0/ JU	Low power, non-voice 5 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency
408.4968		Low power, non-voice 5 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency (408.496875) [until December 31, 2004]	409.1250	242/418.1250	Air Force, Army, Energy Dept, FEMA, NASA, Navy, Veterans Ad- ministration	409.8812		(409.878125) [until December 31, 2004] Low power, non-voice 5-10 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency
408.5000	192/417.5000	Secret Service (nationwide)	409.1375	243/418.1375	(No reported activity)			(409.881250) [until December 31, 2004]
408.5031		Low power, non-voice 5 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency (408.503125) [until December 31, 2004]	409.1500	244/418.1500	Federal Trunk Group 2 (paired with 417.1500): Air Force, ATF (Nationwide), Army, Bureau of Prisons, Energy Dept, FAA, Forest	409.8843		Low power, non-voice 5 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency (409.884375) [until December 31, 2004]
408.5062		Low power, non-voice 5-10 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency	l		Service, NASA, Navy, State Dept	409.8875	303/418.8875	(No reported activity)
408.5093		(408.506250) [until December 31, 2004] Low power, non-voice 5 kHz bandwidth splinter frequency	409.1625 409.1750	245/418.1625 246/418.1750	(No reported activity) Air Force, Architect of the Capitol, Army, Energy Dept, FAA, NASA,	409.9000	304/418.9000	Air Force, Army, Energy Dept, NASA, Navy, Post Office, Veterans Administration
		(408.509375) [until December 31, 2004]			Navy, Post Office	409.9125	305/418.9125	(No reported activity)
408.5125 408.5250	193/417.5125 194/417.5250	(No reported activity) Army, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Affairs, Bureau of	409.1875 409.2000	247/418.1875 248/418.2000	Coast Guard Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Energy Dept, EPA, FAA, GAO, ICC,	409.9250	306/418.9250	Air Force, Army, Environmental Research Lab, National Ocean Service, National Weather Service, Navy
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408.5375	195/417.5375	(No reported activity)			vice, NASA, Navy, Post Office, Veterans Administration			Research Lab, NASA, National Bureau of Standards, National
408.5500	196/417.5500	Federal Trunk Group 4 (paired with 416.5500): Air Force, Army, Bureau of Mines, Bureau of Prisons, Bureau of Redamations, En-	409.2375 409.2500	251/418.2375 252/418.2500	(No reported activity) Air Force, Army, Bureau of Prisons, Energy Dept, Navy,	409.9625	309/418.9625	Weather Service, Navy (No reported activity)
		ergy Dept, NASA, Navy	409.2625	253/418.2625	(No reported activity)	409.9750	310/418.9750	Air Force, Energy Dept, Environmental Research Lab, FAA, Labor
408.5625 408.5750	197/417.5625 198/417.5750	(No reported activity) Air Force, Army, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Recla-	409.2750 409.2875	254/418.2750 255/418.2875	Navy, Post Office (Nationwide) (No reported activity)	409.9875	311/418.9875	Dept, National Bureau of Standards, TVA Interagency Law Enforcement UHF Interoperability Channel < Inop
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408.5875	199/417.5875	Service, Navy, Post Office, TVA (No reported activity)	409.3125	257/418.3125	TVA, Veterans Administration (No reported activity)			Interoperability Channel < Inop 7> (Simplex -167.9 Hz PL-NAC \$68F)
408.6000	200/417.6000	NASA, Nuclear Regulatory Commission (Nationwide), State Dept	409.3250	258/418.3250	Air Force, Army, Energy Dept, Veterans Administration (Nation-			/
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TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, FREQUENCIES AND NEWS

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Who's on Where?

irst-time scanner listeners are often confused about where to find trunked radio frequencies. Internet newsgroups and websites are often good sources of information, but what if you're interested in a system that no one else is talking about?

This month we'll go over where to look for frequency information and how trunking frequencies are assigned. We'll also take a look at some new frequencies that are on the horizon.

*** FCC Rules**

In the United States, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is the governmental authority that assigns specific radio frequencies to individual users. These assignments are made in accordance with a set of rules, also issued by the FCC, that are published in the *Code of Federal Regulations*. The CFR is divided into sections called Titles, and Title 47 (Telecommunication) is of interest to scanner listeners.

Within Title 47 are a number of Parts. Most people who read the label on the back of electronic devices may have read something like

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules.

Part 15 is subtitled "Radio Frequency Devices" and contains a lot of rules regarding how an electronic device should (and should not) operate. This also happens to be the section that prohibits the manufacture of scanners capable of receiving cellular telephone frequencies, and requires that scanners have a permanent label reading:

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Land Mobile Radio

Part 90 of Title 47, subtitled "Private Land Mobile Radio Services," lists the rules pertaining to the operation of (you guessed it) land mobile radio. In this Part you'll find the various band plans and allowed modes of operation for both conventional and trunked radio systems, buried within the typical regulatory jargon.

At present there are three common areas where trunked radio operates, namely VHF High Band, UHF, and 800 MHz.

VHF stands for Very High Frequency and refers to a portion of the radio spectrum between

30 MHz and 300 MHz. It is divided into "bands," named low, mid, and high. VHF low band covers the range of 30 MHz to 50 MHz. VHF midband runs from 72 MHz to 76 MHz, and VHF high band is from 108 MHz to 174 MHz. Most trunking systems in VHF operate at the top of the high band between 150 MHz and 174 MHz.

UHF stands for Ultra High Frequency and refers to a portion of the radio spectrum between 300 MHz and 3,000 MHz (3,000 MHz is the same as 3 GHz). Most trunking systems that are called UHF operate between 450 MHz and 512 MHz. Confusingly, 800 MHz falls within the UHF portion of the spectrum, but most people prefer to talk about 800 MHz as separate from UHF.

FCC defines Trunking

Although there are many technical differences between trunking systems, the FCC has historically recognized only two types. *Centralized* trunked systems use a control channel to transmit channel information to mobile units. Motorola and EDACS are both centralized systems. Radios in a *decentralized* trunked system listen to each channel in order to find one that is available for use. Logic Trunked Radio (LTR) is a type of decentralized system.

In the view of the FCC, centralized systems run the risk of causing "harmful interference," because the radio doesn't listen to a voice channel before transmitting. The control channel tells the radio which frequency to use without regard for any other users that might be nearby. Since decentralized systems search for a quiet channel before transmitting, the risk of interfering with another user or system is minimized. Because of this risk, the FCC has not usually authorized centralized trunked systems in shared frequency bands below 800 MHz.

◆ 150 to 174 MHz

Public safety agencies in VHF typically operate between 150 MHz and 174 MHz. These are usually older, non-trunked (so-called conventional) systems that are often very congested. The radio propagation characteristics of VHF allow good coverage with relatively few towers, so it's an economical solution.

This is a very crowded area of the spectrum, with a wide variety of government and commercial users. You may find a limited amount of trunking activity here, but most of the radio systems are conventional.

For some uses in this band, frequencies may

be assigned in pairs with a separation of 5.26 MHz. In this band channels are typically assigned every 15 kHz, so try searching in 5 kHz steps with a bandwidth of either 12.5 kHz or 25 kHz

❖ 450 - 470 MHz

This UHF segment is also very crowded, with a lot of land mobile activity. UHF tends to have somewhat less range than VHF, but works better in urban areas. Along with a large number of older public safety trunked systems, you'll find municipal and utility repair crews and even a dogcatcher ("animal control") or two.

In this band frequencies are generally assigned as a pair, with the base station transmitting 5 MHz lower than the mobile unit. For example, an electric repair crew using mobile radios transmitting on 456.025 MHz would have a corresponding base station radio transmitting on 451.025 MHz.

Between 460 MHz and 470 MHz in particular you should find police and fire activity. Mobile units transmit between 465 MHz and 470 MHz in 25 kHz steps, while the corresponding base transmits between 460 MHz and 465 MHz. Low power, 2-watt handheld radios may operate in 12.5 kHz steps.

Scanner listeners should use a step size of 12.5 kHz and a bandwidth of 25 kHz.

♦ 470 to 512 MHz

The frequency spectrum between 470 MHz and 512 MHz was originally assigned to television stations operating on channels 14 through 20. New frequencies in this range are only available in 11 cities (Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, and Washington, DC). In Los Angeles, these frequencies are limited for use only by Public Safety agencies.

In this band frequencies are usually assigned in pairs, with the mobile unit transmitting 3 MHz higher than the base station. An example would be a mobile transmitting on 485.00625 MHz and the corresponding base station transmitting on 482.00625 MHz.

Assignable frequencies occur in 6.25 kHz increments with a bandwidth of 25 kHz.

❖ 800 MHz

The 800 MHz segment contains the majority of trunked radio frequencies monitored by scanner listeners. Public safety activity occurs

in two bands, 806 MHz to 824 MHz and 851 MHz to 869 MHz. According to FCC rules, current production scanners must block the cellular telephone frequencies that reside between these two bands.

Public safety and private systems are mixed in this band. Radio propagation for 800 MHz is good for in-building coverage, but requires more tower sites than VHF or UHF systems and thus is more expensive for an agency to install and maintain.

You can think of the 800 MHz as divided into two sections. The block between 806 MHz and 851 MHz are where mobiles transmit, and between 851 MHz and 896 MHz are where the corresponding base station transmits. Mobiles transmit exactly 45 MHz higher than base stations, but most scanner listeners are not close enough to the mobiles to capture the signal.

Spacing is either 12.5 kHz or 25 kHz with a bandwidth of 25 kHz.

Table 1 indicates the general allocations for trunked systems:

Table 1: Trunked System Allocations -800MHz

Base		Mobile	St	ep Size	Assignment	
856.012	25 to	811.0125 to	25		General	
860.9	875	815.9875				
861.012	25 to	816.0125 to	25		Specialized Mobile	
865.9	875	820.9875			•	
866.012	25 to	821.0125 to	12	2.5	Public Safety	
868.9	875	823.9875			,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	

Other Areas

There are a few other areas of the spectrum where you may come across trunked radio systems. These are less popular than the bands already mentioned, but are worth checking in your local area. If you hear trunked activity in these bands, please send me an e-mail and let me know what you find!

220 to 222 MHz

This band is shared with automatic vehicle location (AVL) telemetry data.

Base units transmit between 220.0025 MHz and 220.9975 MHz in 5 kHz steps. Mobile units transmit back exactly 1 MHz higher.

935 to 941 MHz

A number of private trunked systems operate between 935 MHz and 941 MHz, although it is not uncommon for public safety agencies to make use of these private systems.

Frequencies are assigned in 12.5 kHz steps.

Future Frequencies

As a popular scanner manufacturer states, "the future is wireless." With the explosion of wireless services comes the need for addition radio spectrum. To ease overcrowding and make some money for the U.S. Treasury, Congress has

mandated that the FCC auction off additional bands that can be used for new services.

Broadcast television stations use up a lot of radio spectrum. A single UHF TV channel takes up 6 MHz, a block that could hold more than 200 voice radio channels. You may recall that the entire cellular telephone industry started in a portion of the radio spectrum left vacant when the FCC eliminated UHF TV channels 70 through 83 decades ago.

Under current FCC regulations, broadcasters on TV channels 60 through 69 must move to new frequencies more suitable for high-definition digital television by 2006. Out of these 10 channels, the FCC has set aside 24 MHz specifically for public safety. This represents the largest single allocation of spectrum for public safety ever made, and doubles current allocations

❖ 700 MHz

Specifically, the plan allocates 764 MHz to 776 MHz (TV channels 63 and 64) for base-to-mobile transmissions and 794 MHz to 806 MHz (TV channels 68 and 69) for mobile-to-base. This should make it easier for equipment manufacturers to build 700 MHz-capable mobile radios, since the existing 800 MHz mobile frequencies begin at 806 MHz.

The FCC established two basic types of channels, a narrowband channel of 6.25 kHz and a wideband channel of 50 kHz. The FCC is betting technology will improve to the point where voice radio equipment can make use of channels only 6.25 kHz wide. The FCC calls this "spectrum efficiency," and it means more users will be packed into smaller channels without interfering with each other. Until technology catches up, users are expected to aggregate four of these slivers into larger 25 kHz channels that current generation equipment requires.

Any 700 MHz system that uses six or more narrowband channels must be trunked, although the FCC doesn't specify a standard. In addition, all radios must use digital modulation, and the FCC recommends the Project 25 Phase I voice standard (sometimes called APCO 25 – see the June, 2000 *Tracking the Trunks* column for more information) be used. Mobile transmitters may have analog capability, but they will either be

low power (2 watts or less) or be a secondary mode to the primary digital mode.

Radios that use the wideband channels will be required to move data very rapidly, up to 384 kilobits per second (kbps) in 150 kHz. The FCC anticipates public safety users will be transmitting video images and data across these frequencies, providing a real-time "on-scene" information to dispatch centers and other mobile users.

It will take several years for the 700 MHz band to start carrying public safety traffic, so there's no hurry to find a scanner to cover 700 MHz. The biggest hurdle for public safety agencies is to get the current users of the spectrum (what the FCC calls "incumbents") to leave before 2006. There are nearly 100 broadcast TV stations and more than 1,300 low power and translator TV stations licensed to operate on channels 60 to 69, and they're not in any hurry to leave.

That's all for this month. More information is available on my website at http://www.signalharbor.com, and I am reachable via electronic mail at dan @ signalharbor.com. Until next month, happy monitoring!



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Highway Maintenance

In keeping with this month's roadtrip down I-35, Service Search column will be taking an in-depth look at the new highway maintenance service frequency allocations currently being licensed by the Federal Communications Commission. Scanner listeners should be listening for newly allocated splinter channels (VHF 7.5 kHz/UHF 6.25 kHz) to become active in their areas.

With the increased inclement winter weather we are now experiencing, these highway maintenance allocations can be exciting frequencies to monitor road construction/snow removal operations.

33.02	Base or mobile	One-way paging on secondary basis
33.06	Base or mobile	One-way paging on secondary basis
33.10	Base or mobile	One-way paging on secondary basis
37.90	Base or mobile	
37.92	Base or mobile	
37.94	Base or mobile	
37.96	Base or mobile	
37.98	Base or mobile	
45.68	Base or mobile	
45.72	Base or mobile	
45.76	Base or mobile	
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156.1875	Base or mobile
156.195	Base or mobile
156.2025	Base or mobile
156.225	Base or mobile
156.2325	Base or mobile

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	159.2025	Base or mobile	Bandwidth not to exceed 11.25 kHz

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elcome aboard, everyone, and fasten your seatbelts. Our first stop is SeaTac (Seattle-Tacoma Washington International Airport), then on to Boeing Field (King County International), and then to Portland (Oregon) International. Also, we will examine the latest ARINC MWARA HF frequencies, contributed by Ron Perron. And lastly, thanks to the FAA we have a peek at Weather Processors utilized by ATC. Looks as if we have a busy day, so let's get started!

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UNICOM	Signature Flight Support	122.950	

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Location-N 47° 31.80′, W 122° 18.67′ BFI				
ATIS		127.750		
Tower	Short Runway (309°-127°)	118.300		
Tower	Long Runway (128°-308°	120.600		
IFR	Non Jet Departure	126.400		
Ground		121.900		
App/Dep	See SEA-TAC above			
NDB (LOM)	7.1 nm-128° to Field	362 BF		
NDB (LOM)	At Field	281 SZ		
VOT	Transmitter on top of Tower	108.600		
CL DEL*		118.900		
VOR/DME	5.7 nm-341° to Field	116.800 SEA		
ILS/DME	Runway 13R	110.900 BFI		
FSS	Seattle FSS	122.500-123.650		
UNICOM	Galvin Flying Service	122.950		
UNICOM	Flite Center	122.950		
UNICOM	Aero Flight	122.950		
*CL DEL - Clearance Delivery				

PORTLAND International (PDX)

	PUKILANU IIIIemanonai (PUA)					
Į	Location-N 45° 35.32′ W 122° 35.85′ (Attended 24 Hrs)					
ļ	ITIS		128.350			
1	ower		118.700			
(Ground		121.900			
(IL DEL		120.125			
ļ	App/Dep Sector 100-279°		118.100			
ļ	App/Dep Sector 280-099°		133.000			
1	LS Runway 10R		109.900 PDX			
1	LS Runway 28R		111.300 IAP			
I	LS/DME Runway 20 — Loc	alizer Only	108.900 GPO			
1	IDB (LOM) 6.4 nm	- 277°	332 IA			
	OT Xmtr located App		111.000			
١	/OR/DME 9.6 nm	-161°	116.600			
١	OR/DME At Field		111.800 PDX			
l	JNICOM Flightcraft		122.950			

ARINC HF Frequencies

Thanks to Ron for contributing the following ARINC HF Frequencies; these also show new freqs for the Atlantic (NAT) HF Sectors. The

North Atlantic sectors were featured in the August issue.

SEA-1		SEA-2	SEA-3 (SEA South East Asia)
2872	6655	3485	3470
2923	8861	5655	6556
2947	8906	6589	10066
3467	8909	8942	11396
3470	8948	11396	10042
3491	8960	13309	17907
5484	10018		
5580	10066		
5601	11285		
5658	11396		
5670	13288		
6556	17907		
6583			

EA — East Asia

3016	6571	8897	10042	17958

NCA — No	orth Central A	Asia			
NCA-1	NCA-2	NCA-3			
3422	3046	2868	3461	5557	6670
4672	4712	3046	4465	5568	6692
5596	4728	3102	4728	5715	6704
11390	6704	3425	5505	6589	7870

CWP — Central West Pacific

CWP				
2998	4666	6571	8897	13300
3016	5565	6622	8903	17904
3419	6425	6665	10081	2198
3425	6532	8837	11384	
3455	6562	8861	11393	

EP — Central East Pacific

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SP - So			
3425	4693	6649	1326
3461	5643	8858	1330
3467	6553	8867	1335
4469	6580	11339	1790

NP — No	rth Pacific		
2932	6571	10048	17904
3016	6655	11330	17946
5628	8897	13273	21925
5667	8915	13339	

SAT (South Atlantic) 1&2					
2854	5526	6673	13297		
3023	5540	8825	13315		
3452	5565	8861	13357		

11291

17955

6535

5440

SAM-1 (South America)	SAM-2	
2944	2887	6577
4469	2910	6649
5454	2944	6730.5
5583	3023	8825
5604	3479	8855
5643	3488	8894
6649	4669	8918
8667	5440	10024
10024	5526	10096
11360	5540	11291
11397	5556	11360
13261	5595	11387
13300	6535	13297
17907	6553	17907

AR-A (Caribbean)	CAR-B
887	2887
910	2910
455	3023
440	3455

5520	5440
5526	5520
5550	5526
6577	5540
6586	6577
8825	6586
8846	8825
8855	8846
8918	8855
10096	8918
11387	10096
11396	11291
13297	11330
17907	11387
	17907

Remember, many frequencies may be allocated to an area, but not all are utilized. This list will be continued next month

Weather Processors Products Team (ATC-Related)

Integrated Terminal Weather System (ITWS) – ITWS is an automated weather system that provides near term (0 - 30 min.) prediction of significant terminal area weather. ITWS integrates data from radars, sensors, and automated aircraft reports. It generates products including windshear and predictions, storm cell and lightning information, and terminal area winds aloft.

Weather and Radar Processor (WARP) – WARP is an integrated, end-to-end system that receives and processes real time weather data from multiple sources, and produces displays of weather information for multiple users to support the en route environment. The primary products are NEXRAD radar data. WARP will replace existing meteorologist weather processor (MWP) systems currently in ARTCCs and the Air Traffic Control System Command Center.

Meteorologist Weather Processor (MWP) – MWPs are located at the 21 ARTCCs within the Center Weather Service Units (CWSU) and two are at the Air Traffic Control System Command Center for its Weather Service Unit. The MWP provides the processing tools to consolidate weather data from multiple sources into one database. Sources are the Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellites, NWS family of services, and NWS and FAA radars. The meteorologist uses the MWP's processed data to provide weather updates and forecasts for air traffic personnel.

Weather Message Switching Center Replacement (WMSCR) – The WMSCR's primary purpose is to collect and process weather data for distribution within the NAS. The WMSCR will also collect, distribute, and store NOTAM (notice to air men) data. The single Weather Message Switching Center located in Kansas City will be replaced with identical WMSCR nodes in the National Aviation Weather Processors facilities at Atlanta, Georgia and Salt Lake City, Utah.

Aviation Weather Research (AWR) – The goal of AWR is to increase the scientific understanding of atmospheric processes that cause the development of hazardous weather, which in turn, impacts aviation. The research is aimed toward generating weather observations, warnings, and forecasts that are more accurate and more accessible.

Merry Christmas, Happy Hannukah, and a very Happy New Year to all; 73, and out.

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New AM stations?

uring a five-day period in late January, the FCC accepted proposals for new AM stations or major technical changes to existing stations. Many of the proposals were mutually exclusive – that is, granting one would make it impossible to grant one or more others without generating interference. These conflicts will be resolved by auction. However, 90 of the new-station proposals were not exclusive. These applicants have been permitted to file formal applications; presumably If the paperwork is filed properly and fees paid, the new stations and changes will be granted. Table 1 shows the communities and frequencies involved.

You should not assume that all of these stations will actually appear on the air. New AM stations seem to have a rather poor record of actually being built. The ones that do get built will face zoning problems when they try to construct their antennas. Don't expect to hear any of these frequencies in use for at least a year – in many cases, much longer.



WRKM-1350 is a typical small-town AM station. The station is located a few miles east of Carthage, Tennessee, on Highway 70.

In other recent FCC action, the second group of LPFM applications has been received. 473 applications were received for stations in Connecticut, Illinois, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nevada, New Hampshire, Puerto Rico, Virginia, and Wyoming. Some minor changes have been made to the LPFM rules to

address interference concerns. The same 3rd adjacent channel protection rules that apply to full-power stations will be applied to LPFMs within 600 kHz of a station carrying a radio reading service. (reading services are usually carried as subcarriers of NPR-affiliated public radio stations) And, an expedited modification procedure has been prepared under which complaints of significant 3rd adjacent channel interference from LPFMs to full-power stations will be resolved within 90 days.

Many of us remember a time in which a single company could own no more than 12 AM and 12 FM stations in the U.S.. It wasn't all that long ago! Well, times change. On August 15, the FCC approved the merger of AMFM and Clear Channel. To avoid problems with ownership rules, the merged firm is required to sell 122 stations in 37 cities – five times as many stations as were permitted to one owner under the old rules. They'll be allowed to keep 490 stations!

channel. Both stations are commonly-owned by Clear Channel. While the 550 kHz frequency is actually lower power at night (1,000 watts vs. 5,000 watts on 910), the lower frequency will offer better coverage. Also, all of the 5,000 watt signal on 910 is directional to the south, presumably to protect KALL Salt Lake City. 550 kHz is non-directional, and should have a much better signal in areas north of Phoenix.

We're at the peak of the AM DX season. Some of you along the coasts stand a chance of hearing foreign stations; be sure to check out the "split" frequencies between the North American stations for a shot at something more exotic. At the end of the month, we have the winter E-skip season for FM and TV DXers. Last summer offered some interesting skip; maybe we'll have more of the same for the winter season? Let us know what you're hearing. Write: w9wi@bellsouth.net or Box 98, Brasstown NC 28902-0098. Good DX!

Bits & Pieces

- Russ Johnson in North Carolina wrote asking about moderately-priced receivers for FM DXing. I'm lucky - I found a good tuner for a good price at a closeout sale in a Wisconsin professional-audio shop. And my experience has been that high-end stereo tuners really are generally better FM DX machines. But there are plenty of people DXing FM with less expensive gear. I have had some successes with both the GE SupeRadio II and the Sony ICF-2010, though the latter radio is somewhat short on selectivity on FM. I would visit my local high-end audio store and see if they have any older tuners on closeout. Do any readers have any other suggestions?
- Kevin Redding passed along news of a frequency swap in Phoenix. News/talk station KFYI is trading its 910 kHz dial position to all-sports KGME in return for KGME's 550 kHz frequency in Zone 3.)

Table	One:	FCC	AM	License	Proposals

AK	Big Lake	1110	HI	Ewa Beach	1320	NV	Reno	550
AL	Fort Deposit	770	ID	Meridian	890	NY	DeRuyter	780
AL	Level Plains	1490	ID	Pocatello	1440	NY	Gloversville	1440
AL	New Brockton	600	ME	Hermon	1230	NY	Mexico	1510
AS	Tefuma	580	ME	Veazie	1340, 1400	OR	Bend	1170
ΑZ	Ajo	1340	MI	Albert Twp.	1060	OR	Redmond	1240
ΑZ	Casa Grande	650	MI	Carney	1200	OR	Warrenton	1570
ΑZ	Kachina Village	1490	MI	Deep River	710	PA	Avondale	1230
ΑZ	Nogales	1340	MI	Gladstone	1300	PA	Reading	870
CA	Blue Lake	1450	MI	Houghton	750, 1340	SD	Pierre	1450
CA	Shasta Lake City	1330	MI	L'Anse	1490	TN	Harriman	1230
CA	S. Lake Tahoe	1400	MI	Lake Township	990	TN	Lebanon	1490
CO	Palasade	810	MI	Mackinaw	1430	TX	Frankston	890
CO	Pierce	870	MI	Manning	1390	TX	McGregor	840
CT	Falls Village	1400	MI	Reed City	1120	TX	Midland	880
CT	Oakville .	1590	MI	Rogers Hts.	740, 1010	UT	Fillmore	1350
CT	Torrington	1490	MI	St. Ignace	1470	UT	Moab	1490
CT	Uncasville	1490	MI	Springvale	1160	UT	Parowan	1400
FL	Alachua	1090	MN	Verndale	1070	UT	Taylorsville	820
FL	Ensley	1140	MO	Hollister	1570	UT	Tremonton	1470
FL	Golden Gate	960	MT	Lockwood	1450	VA	Exmore	890
FL	Orlovista	1120	MT	Malmstrom AFB	1490	VA	Glen Allen	1480
FL	Silver Springs	1210	NC	Havelock	800	WA	Cashmere	1110
FL	Sweetwater	880	NC	New Bern	1160	WA	Pullman	650
FL	Winter Springs	890	ND	Minot	1430	WI	Oneida	850
GA	Cordele	1490	NH	Jaffrey	540	WI	Whiting	870
GA	Moultrie	1400	NH	Lebanon	1490	WV	Welch	1340
GA	Waycross	1230	NM	Artesia	1280	WY	Jackson	1400
GU	Tamuning	675	NM	Farmington	1090	WY	Pine Bluffs	540

(AS is American Samoa, and GU is Guam. While North America is in ITU Zone 2, Guam is in Zone 3 - 675 kHz is a valid AM frequency in Zone 3.)

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Best SW Radio Site: Clandestine Radio Com

ick Grace and Martin Schoech have announced a merger of their excellent clandestine radio web sites. Nick's Clandestine Radio Intel and Martin's Clandestine Radio *Watch* newsletter are now found on a single site. This amazing new service, Clandestine Radio Com, is at http://www.clandestineradio.com/ index.html on your internet dial.

Clandestine

Nick Grace's clandestine station web site has won numerous awards for web site quality, most of which came from judges who are not radio hobbyists. Martin's bi-monthly newsletter remains the most detailed current source for clandestine broadcasting news on a worldwide basis. Given the merger of these two outstanding web services, Clandestine Radio Com gets our vote as the best web site in shortwave radio today.

Throughout late 2000, the site was frequently modified to stay current in world hot spots like the Balkans and the Middle East. Anybody with an interest in unlicensed radio broadcasting, or world affairs in general, will definitely need to make frequent trips to this bible of clandestine radio.

Holiday Pirates

Pirate broadcasting traditionally increases around holidays. As usual, Labor Day, Columbus Day, and Halloween saw pirate activity that was higher than normal. As you're reading this, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years are coming up. Barring a major catastrophe, weekends around these holiday periods should be excellent times to tune the pirate bands for unusual transmissions. With winter propagation at hand, most of the activity will be a couple of hours either side of your sunset. But, with solar activity high, bands are remaining open later. Plus, some pirates operate during local daylight hours.

What We Are Hearing

Once again this month, MT readers heard nearly two dozen North American shortwave pirate stations, all on 6950 or 6955 kHz. This variety shows us that pirate radio remains very much alive.

Ground Zero Radio- Supposedly transmitting from an abandoned missile silo, their rock music is spiced with comedy ads and political commentary. (uses gzrsw@usa.net e-mail)

Knuckleheads- Some pirates are strange, and this one is a good example. Their first broadcast in October was rock music spiced by an announcer who said nothing but several repeats of "knuckleheads." We don't know who he was talking about. (None)

KRMI- Their Australian Olympics coverage focused primarily on trips by athletes to brothels in Sidney. The call letters stand for Radio Michigan International. (None)

Radio Azteca- Bram Stoker's comedy focuses entirely on DX hobby issues and individuals. This is genuinely funny stuff.

Radio Free Euphoria - Captain Ganja has returned after a sabbatical, where he further refined his advocacy for cannabis. Novelty tunes and comedy work their way through the drugs on this station. (Belfast) Radio Free Speech- Bill O. Rights is not as active as he used to be, but his mix of comedy and advocacy for political freedom is entertaining. (Belfast)

Radio Neptune- This new one surfaced with a "Universal Service" test featuring music played at a speed faster than normal. (Blue Ridge Summit)

Radio Three Parody- Sal Amoniac's ancient rock oldies station has drawn a parody imitator. You can usually tell the impostor from the real thing by heavy sarcasm in its discussion of pirate broadcasting. (None) Radio USA- No other pirate has been on the air as long as Mr. Blue Sky. For seventeen years his punk rock, comedy, and pirate commentary have entertained many thousands of listeners. (Belfast)

Raven Radio- This one isn't brand new. but we still know very little about it. Recent tests could indicate a return to active broadcasting. (None)

RBCN- Radio Bob's Communications Network always features original comedy productions. When Radio Bob is around the bands, you're in for a treat. (Lula)

Scream of the Mosquito- They apparently parody "Scream of the Butterfly," an ex-pirate now resident via relay on 7415 kHz at WBCQ. (None)

Sycko Radio- Don't be fooled by the unusual spelling; the station name is pronounced "Psycho." Lately they have mixed rock and comedy in a standard pirate format, but they still aren't soliciting listener response. (None)

Voice of Shortwave Radio- Recent shows have been long, well-produced drama features. Here's a station that puts a lot of work into their programming. (Blue Ridge Summit)

WHYP- The most active North American pirate combines rock music with weather for cities near Lake Erie. Announcer James Brownyard once gave predictions for last week's NFL football games. (uses whyp1530@yahoo.com e-mail)

WMFQ- Their chanted IDs always contain an obscenity, but it's in there for a purpose. They are the biggest promoters of pirate radio QSLs in the hobby today. (Providence) WLIS- Most licensed shortwave broadcasters have a signature theme song that they transmit before their shows for tuning purposes. These "interval signal" ditties are played like hit tunes on this pirate. (Blue Ridge Summit)

WPN- The World Parody Network is well named, since its shows are dominated by comedy and humor. (Huntsville)

Reports and OSLs

Reception reports to pirate stations require three first class stamps for USA maildrops or \$2 US to foreign locations. This finances postage for a souvenir QSL to your mailbox. Your letters go to these addresses: PO Box 1, Belfast, NY 14711; PO Box 28413, Providence, RI 02908; PO Box 24, Lula, GA 30554; PO Box 109, Blue Ridge Summit, PA 17214; and PO Box 11522, Huntsville, AL 35814. Some pirates, as listed, prefer e-mail reports instead.

Thanks

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The Prime Season

hat is it about December? For some reason this month always seems to bring heightened interest in longwave DXing. Whatever the reason, it is a welcome change, and we intend to give you many things to do this month besides shoveling snow!

Chasing Euro-Broadcasters

The interest in this topic never ceases, no matter what the season. Yes, you can hear these stations in North America, but you should not expect "armchair" copy. On a clear winter night, you can often make out what's being said and recognize songs, but you probably won't consider the signals to be "strong" by any means. The key is to listen at times when there is a complete path of darkness between you and the transmitting sta-

There are many reliable stations but these are the ones reported to the column most often:

Freq.	Location	Power Out.
153	Algeria	250 kW
162	France	2000 kW
171	Russia	6400 kW
183	Germany	2000 kW
189	Iceland	300 kW
198	England	600 kW
234	Luxembourg	2000 kW
252	Ireland	500 kW

Beacons

Chasing non-directional beacons (NDBs) is another popular activity during the winter months. Low and medium powered beacons are sprinkled throughout North America and occupy the band between 190 and 535 kHz. These stations do not have very interesting programming just a slow, repetitive CW message (their ID). However, it is not the content we are interested in, but the fact of reception.

Most beacons operate with less than 50 watts of power (25 watts in many cases) from small, unmanned shacks. They utilize a rather small antenna, and are not meant to be heard more than 100 miles or so away. Imagine the thrill of pulling one in at five or ten times this distance.

As with broadcasters, nighttime is the best time to listen for beacon DX. Often you'll hear several stations on a single frequency, and will need to sort through them to pick out the IDs. To do this, it helps to know a thing or two about ID formats. For instance, Canadian IDs can usually be identified by two primary traits. First, they typically use a 400 Hz modulated tone (as opposed to 1020 Hz commonly used in the U.S.) Also, they will have a long dash after the ID

(DAID). U.S. beacons do not have a dash after the ID. Using these traits alone, you should be able to quickly determine a beacon's country of origin.

When hunting beacons, don't neglect the band during the daytime. Although you won't hear stations from as far away during the day, you're likely to hear some beacons that are covered up by DX at night. In fact, some DXers enjoy the challenge of daytime monitoring. An intercept of 400 miles or more during the day would be a prized catch indeed.

Lowfers

bit, let's explore a unique sliver small, private airfields. of spectrum from 160 to 190

kHz. Officially, this is the Part 15 band, where the FCC allows a variety of low powered devices such as wireless intercoms and power line carriers to operate without a license of any kind. An industrious group of experimenters have been using this band for ham-like operation since at least the early 1970s.

Limited by regulation to 1 watt and a 50 foot/ 15 meter antenna, these experimenters operate their stations in an effort to "push the envelope" of low power communication. Take a slow spin through this band and you might be rewarded with a Lowfer intercept. For an online list of active stations, check out http://www.lwca.org/sitepage/ part15/lfmfbcns.htm.

A little further down at 136 kHz, you may find more experimental activity. In many countries, governments permit amateur access to this frequency with much higher power limits than those



LLX/353 kHz, Lyndonville, VT. This Moving down the band a beacon is typical of those used at

imposed on the "Lowfer" band. In fact, even in the United States and Canada there are a few stations operating here with temporary authority. If you're within a few hundred miles of northern Virginia, you might listen for experimental station WA2XTF run by AMRAD (http://www.amrad.org/ projects/lf/). If you live in or near Ontario, Canada, you could try for VA3LK and VE3OT who are both active on this band.

Speaking of 136 kHz, a significant record has already been established here. In the spirit of the 1920's transatlantic tests, a crossband (LF-HF) contact between the UK and Canada was made on September 10th. The operators were

Dave Bowman, G0MRF (UK) operating at 136 kHz and John Currie, VE1ZJ (Cape Breton Island, NS) operating on 20 meters. The LF signals were not actually "heard," but rather seen on a computer screen using spectral software. Work is continuing on a two-way LF contact between North America and the UK, and may already have occurred by the time you read this.

Going Lower

Below 136 kHz, the main signals you'll hear are military RTTY stations sending encrypted data. These powerhouses are at various locations in the U.S. and can frequently be heard around the clock. At 60 kHz, you should be able to hear the pulsating carrier of WWVB in Fort Collins, CO. (Newcomers often confuse this signal with slow Morse Code.)

WWVB is the sister station of WWV operating at 2.5, 5, 10, 15 and 20 MHz. Longwave time stations have the advantage of providing a more stable, ground-hugging signal that is desirable for automated time keeping and laboratory applications. Today, it's even possible to buy an inexpensive (under \$50) table clock that locks onto WWVB and provides extremely accurate time that never needs to be reset. Look for more applications of WWVB in the future, including affordable wrist watches and VCRs with WWVB capability.

Best wishes from the Carey family to you and yours for a joyous holiday season. See you next



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All I Want for Christmas

ow most folks would think that around this holiday season, Old Uncle Skip would want to run a big long list of gear and goodies that he would want to find under

his Christmas tree. The fact is that, as far as equipment goes, I'm feeling fairly content these days. I have a couple of nice transceivers that get me where I want to go and about as much antenna as my XYL and the neighbors will put up with. I always have something down on the workbench that I am "improving." Conditions are as good as they have been in many years.

Ham Radio life is good here at N2EI. For me, at least, Santa can just make a point of running his sleigh through the ionosphere a couple of times to kick up the propagation. You see, for me, December is a great contest month. Being one of those folks who tries to get their holiday 'business' out of the way in short order, I can usually find a few hours to devote to the bands and the fun of some light contesting, emphasis on the light.

Let me unpack this notion of light contesting a bit. Pick up any of the ham magazines that list contest scores. It is easy to see that only a small percentage of the stations listed are really putting themselves in a position to "go for the gold." Contesting at the competitive level takes a certain amount of work and dedication that I admire, but also feel okay admiring from afar.

It doesn't take too long to figure out that you can enjoy participating in any amateur radio contest by setting personal goals. These can be fairly humble by the standards of the contest rules, but they can serve to get your competitive spirit going. A good goal for any new comer to the HF bands would be to try for 10 new countries in a DX contest. Maybe you could shoot for working all counties in your state QSO party.

My friend Jon WB2KKS always tries to work all states during "Sweepstakes" weekend. I often go into a contest looking to fill in the blanks on my countries list or the few "hard ones" left on 5 band WAS (Worked All States). Sometimes I don't even make that much of a plan. I just dive in head first and start giving out points, taking time to see what I've actu-

ally accomplished only when the contest is over. Whatever your contest motivation may be, December is a great month to give it a go. Let's take a look at what's out there.



The HTX-10 would be a great rig to use during the 10 meter contest.

ARRL 160 METER CONTEST December 1-3

Not everyone takes the time to explore the 160 meter band. This may be due to all those years that ham gear came in 5 band packages. It may also be due to the fact that optimum antennas can be a bit unwieldy. Still, 160 has a lot of adventures to offer anyone who gives it a shot. I don't think I've ever had the opportunity to put up a full size 160 meter antenna. I've always managed by loading up the longest wire I had up at the time. My totals never made the top of the contest list but I always had a lot of fun anyway.

The ARRL 160 Meter Contest is a great time to give 160 a try. Activity is high and noise (always a factor on 160) is low. This is a CW only contest with three Single Operator categories: QRP (5 watts PEP or less), Low Power (150 watts PEP or less), or High Power (more than 150 watts PEP). There is only one multi-operator class and this is a single transmitter event. The contest exchange is callsign, signal report and ARRL/RAC section. DX need only send callsign and signal report.

Unlike many CW only contests that are

dominated by high speed operators, the overall conditions on 160 encourage operating at more moderate speeds. Amongst those "speed demons" you will find plenty of folks operat-

ing at a pace that will encourage the newcomer to CW contesting.

A fun goal for this contest first time out of the gate might be to work 10 states.

ARRL 10 METER CONTEST December 9-10

I'd have to dig back into my logs to be sure, but I think I've participated, to some degree, in just about every annual ARRL 10 Meter Contest since I first had HF privileges. The second full weekend of December brings a lot of people on to 28 MHz. Even in years when conditions were abysmal, I was always surprised to see how many stations could be worked. Now that the solar cycle has come back around, things should be very exciting on 10 meters.

This year the contest runs from 0000 UTC December 9 through 2400 UTC December 10.

You're allowed to work any 36 hours out of that 48 hour period. (Listening time counts as operating time.)

If you are inclined to submit your scores, there are nine different single operator categories: You can submit logs reflecting either CW only, phone only or mixed mode (CW and phone) in either the QRP (5 watts PEP or less), low power (150 watts PEP or less), or high power (more than 150 watts PEP). You can operate a multi-operator from a single transmitter in mixed mode only.

The contest exchange is callsign, signal report, and state or province. DX stations use a serial number in lieu of state. Are you a Novice or Technician that wants to attract attention? Novices and Techs should sign /N or /T respectively when working CW because you then will count for a whopping 8 points. That should make you very popular indeed.

As I mentioned earlier, we're at the top of the cycle and that makes 10 the place to be. When conditions are good, modest power and antennas will work everything on the band. Want to set a good goal for your first time out in this contest? Try to work all 10 callsign districts. Once you do that, go for KH6 (Hawaii) and KL7 (Alaska). Keep in mind that this is

the kind of contest where DX is looking for YOU and not the other way around. 10 meters can produce some exceptional DX contacts when conditions are in your favor, so keep an ear open for overseas signals.

STRAIGHT KEY NIGHT **December 31 - January 1**

I've never been much of a party animal on New Years Eve so I usually look for other diversions. The gathering on the ham bands known as Straight Key Night is probably my favorite contest of all. The reason? Because it is probably the most un-contest-like contest in the world. The rules are simple. Dust off your hand key (no electronic keyers allowed) and put it on the air! Oh, there are probably a few other rules but I don't know that anybody ever pays a great deal of attention to them. This is a purely fun time.

SKN runs from 7:00 PM EST December 31 (0000 UTC January 1) through 7:00 PM EST January 1 (2400 UTC) The purpose of this exercise is to get on the air with your straight key and chat with folks. One way of letting folks know you're participating is to substitute the letters SKN for RST when giving your signal report.

I have a humble collection of keys and I al-

ways make a point of bringing out my favorites for this event. My battered and bruised wartime J-38 (oh... the stories it could tell) and my diminutive American Radio "spy" key.

QSOs are light hearted, usually discussions of the various keys and "fists" heard on the air. Last year there was a lot of fun conversation about being ready with CW when Y2K crashed everything else.

Participants are encouraged to submit lists of contacts and to vote for Most Interesting QSO and Best Fist. If you join in you will hear a lot of us shaky "glass arm" types banging away as best we can. But as you tune around you will hear some folks who practically make music with their keys. Electronic keying has made good ops of us all but to hear someone who can really fly with a hand key is a singular pleasure.

The goal for this contest is to have fun – nothing more, nothing less. I guess you could say that, like most folks, I spend New Year's Eve with my friends.

You can find a great deal more information about these contests and how to submit your logs and results for consideration at The American Radio Relay League web site http:/ /www.arrl.org

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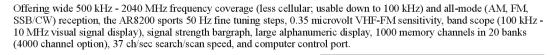
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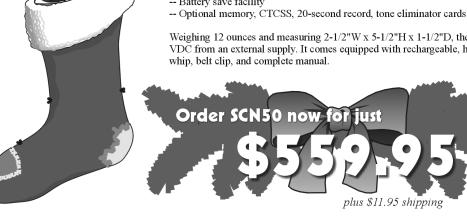
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Noise: The Arch-Enemy of Radio Communication

n one way of looking at it, your receiver's sensitivity is a measure of the minimum signal strength which will produce an intelligible signal at your receiver's output. The primary factor which limits a receiver's usable sensitivity is electrical noise - noise can partially or completely mask over the received signal. At times, as we all know, this can make

Signal to Noise Ratio

reception difficult or impossible.

Because electrical noise is an important consideration in determining the quality of a received signal a concept called "signal to noise ratio" or "(S/N)" has been developed. The stronger the signal the higher the S/N, and the stronger the noise the smaller the S/N. For the best quality of reception a high S/N (i.e., signal predominating) is desirable. A low S/N means there is a strong noise component along with the signal being received, and quality of reception is degraded.

Sources of Electrical Noise

Some of the electrical noise which competes with the received signal that we want to hear originates in the world outside our receiving equipment. This noise is picked up by the antenna and fed to the receiver. Such noise is called "external noise" or "received noise." On the other hand, some of the noise which

competes with received signals comes from within the receiver itself. This noise is called "internal noise."

Receiver circuits are designed to generate relatively little internal noise, but there is always some noise generated by the components of the receiver. In most instances, for HF or lower frequency reception internal noise is sufficiently low such that its effect on reception is

unimportant in relation to the effect of the higher level of received noise. In other words, at HF and lower frequencies, it is typical to find that the level of received noise sets the limit to the minimum strength of received signal needed to overcome the signal-masking effect of the overall noise. Therefore, for DXing or other weak-signal work at these frequencies we should reduce received noise as much as possible. Let's consider some ways in which we can do this.

Reducing Received Noise

One way to reduce received noise is to prevent the noise from reaching the receiver. Some antennas are quite directive, and these antennas can often be oriented so that received-noise pickup is reduced. For example, beam antennas reduce noise and interference from all directions except for the main lobe of their beam (fig. 1A). Table top loops have deep nulls (directions of minimum reception, fig. 1B) which can be used to reject noise from a specific direction.

Once noise has entered your receiver there are ways to lessen its effect on reception. Your receiver's selectivity can also be of assistance in preventing noise from reaching the receiver's output. The receiver's overall bandpass must be sufficiently wide to pass the desired signal, but beyond that the more narrow the receiver's bandpass the less noise will be able to come through along with the signal. This selectivity can be obtained in the radio-frequency, intermediate-frequency, or audio-frequency stages of the receiver.

Noise-reduction devices are available which utilize a separate antenna placed to receive mainly noise; output from this antenna is used by the device to cancel noise received on the main antenna.

Natural Factors Affecting Received-Noise Levels

Static, also known as "sferics," is less prevalent on the HF and lower bands in the northern hemisphere in the winter months than the rest of the year. Another factor that affects static levels is latitude. Because thunderstorms tend to be heaviest in equatorial regions, the closer a receiving station is to the poles the less static is received.

Although the relatively constant background of static is primarily due to distant thunderstorms, static-like interference and other bothersome electrical noise is also generated from man's use of electrical devices. Particularly where there is a lot of heavy, electrical, industrial machinery in use we will usually find high levels of electrical radio interference.

So-called "cosmic noise" is the relatively

weak radio interference which comes from natural electrical

activity in outer space. For some weak-signal activities, such as moonbounce, radio interference from the sun can be a problem. Relative Noise Level

and Its Effect on

Reception

As explained above, on the HF and lower-frequency bands there is typically so much received noise that the

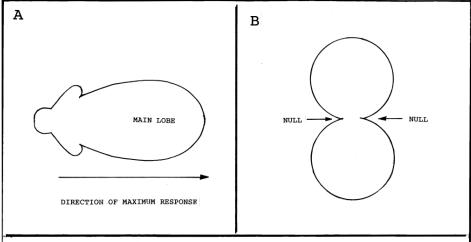


Fig. 1. Radiation and reception patterns for some antennas which can help reduce noise. A beam antenna (A), and a table-to loop antenna (B).

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quality of reception is essentially determined by the existing ratio of received signal strength to received noise (the received S/ N). In this case there is little to be gained by increasing signal strength by amplifying the received signal, or by better matching to the antenna system. This doesn't change the S/ N because you can't avoid increasing the strength of the noise, too.

When received noise is low then internal noise becomes the dominant noise competing with the received signal, and then internal noise is the limiting factor in quality of reception. Here low-noise amplification, and appropriate antenna matching can improve received-signal quality. If you want to demonstrate internal noise for yourself turn the squelch off on a VHF or UHF receiver or scanner, and then disconnect the antenna. With the antenna disconnected the noise you then hear is not received noise, but the receiver's internal noise.

Increasing Signal Strength

From the above discussion we see that when received noise is lower than the receiver's internal noise we can improve reception quality if we increase the strength of the signal coming from the antenna. So in those low-noise situations described above it may well pay off with improved HF reception to utilize such devices as additional RF amplifiers, antenna tuners and preselectors.

Antenna tuners, or transmatches, are devices which create an impedance match between a source (such as your antenna system), and a load (such as your receiver's antenna input circuit). When the antenna system and receiver input are matched there will be optimum transfer of signal from the antenna system to the receiver. In low-noise situations this can lead to better reception of weak signals.

Preselectors are devices with circuits tunable to the frequency of the desired signal. For some receivers preselectors can help reduce received-noise level slightly in highnoise situations by the additional RF selectivity they add to your receiving system. Some preselectors also have built-in amplifiers, and these can help in low-noise situa-

tions by increasing the strength of weak signals. It is important that the amplifier in the preselector be a low-noise amplifier, or it can add internal noise and degrade reception.

And again, we mustn't overlook the antenna's contribution. In addition to the noise rejection already mentioned for directive antennas, those antennas with useful gain levels can also increase the strength of the desired signal and thus improve reception in low-noise situations.

Summing It Up

Noise is the great enemy of weak-signal reception. Depending on the situation, reducing internal noise or external noise can sometimes significantly improve the quality of your reception.



Last Month:

I said: "Well we've just talked about radio horizons, and radio grounds. Now what is "radiovision?"

Well, radiovision is an antiquated name for television. For some reason "television," which means "seeing across a distance," caught on. "Radiovision," which means "seeing by radio," just didn't make the cut.

This Month:

Well we've talked about radio horizon, radio ground, and radiovision. Now tell me what "radionics" means.

You'll find an answer for this month's riddle, another interesting, antennarelated web site, and much more, in next month's issue of *Monitoring Times*. 'Til then Peace, DX, and 73

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Digging Into the Transitone

n last month's column we began the restoration of a small Bakelite cabinet AC-DC set – a Philco Transitone. When we concluded in the last issue, we had just taken the set out of its cabinet and given it a once-over. I spent quite a bit of time talking about the "Loktal" tube set found in the Philco, explaining the similarities and differences to the standard "All-American five" tube set found in the majority of AC-DC radios of the late 1930s and 1940s.

While we didn't make a detailed examination of the radio. I did note that it seemed exceptionally clean and that quite a bit of neatly-done repair work had already been performed. My attention was also drawn to the fact that a 70A5 power output tube had been substituted for the 35A5 called for in the set's tube chart. These two tubes are identical, except that the 70A5 heater runs at 70 volts instead of 35.

Another non-standard item was a power resistor pencil-labeled "500 ohms" that I found mounted under a little clamp screwed into the speaker frame. At the time, I wondered if this addition had something to do with a reconfiguration of the heater string to accommodate the 70A5. Finally, there was a question in my mind about the identity of a small square metal can with a soldered-on top found mounted under the chassis.

Parts Shopping

Just after writing last month's column, as I mentioned at the time, I was about to head for the Antique Wireless Association's annual conference near Rochester, New York, The giant swap meet associated with this event would be the perfect place to pick up the proper power output tube for the little set, and also all of the capacitors I would need to replace the original paper and electrolytic units.

Before leaving for the conference, I needed to find the schematic of this radio so I could determine the required capacitor values. The paper model designation under the cabinet was partly ripped away, but I could make out a TH, then what might have been either a space or a torn-away number, then what looked like the bottom of a "4."

After looking at my index to Rider's Manuals, I decided that I had either a TH 4 or a TH14. Checking both schematics, I found that each specified the same tube set that was installed in our radio. However, the TH 4 used a wire antenna hank, while the TH14 was equipped with a loop antenna. Since our radio has the loop, I decided to go with the TH14 schematic - referring to it to make a list of all the needed caps.

At the conference I was able to find everything I needed. A dealer furnished me with all

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455 K. C.

Sorry! The TH14 schematic in my Rider's Manual is a bit blurred. Speaker field (marked "FIELD") is the coil at right of 35Z3 rectifier tube (near bottom of schematic).

of the caps for about five bucks, and I quickly found a 35A5, new in the box, for another dollar. I even located a nice coil of hookup wire remnants containing a selection of various colors – including those I would need to match some of the deteriorated wiring I planned to replace (See last month's column). Price: 25 cents. As you can see, it pays to do your parts shopping at radio meets!

Solving the "Mysteries"

The work session for this month's column began with a study of the schematic to identify the mysterious metal can and also to determine the function of the added 500-ohm resistor. Checking the connections to the can, I could see that it had to be housing the second i.f. transformer. Such transformers are usually mounted atop the chassis in tall metal cans, and two are standard for a small ac-dc set. Quickly flipping the chassis over, I verified that there was only one transformer on top.

The second one must have been downsized and mounted underneath to help make the chassis more compact. Of course if I had worked on more Philco sets in the past I would have recognized the unusual looking unit immediately. I was still puzzled, though, because there seemed to be no trimmer capacitor adjustment. According to the schematic, the transformer was supposed to have one trimmer. I eventually found the access hole for this adjustment in the top surface of the chassis - after fully meshing the tuning capacitor plates to move the rotor out of the way.

The schematic also quickly revealed the reason for the 500-ohm power resistor mounted on the speaker frame. This set had originally been equipped with a dynamic speaker (that is a speaker whose magnetic field is supplied by an electromagnet, or "field coil"). However, the speaker actually in the radio is the later "PM" type, equipped with a permanent magnet instead of the field coil. Looking at the speaker a little more closely, I now saw that it was physically a little larger than the original. Part of its front face had been slipped behind the dial plate to shoehorn it into the set, and only one of the two mounting holes had been used.

It was not uncommon for a speaker field to burn out. As mentioned in an earlier column, the field also usually doubled as the power supply filter choke. Such was the case in our TH14, as you will see by examining the schematic which I'm including with this article. Look at the power supply circuit at the bottom of the schematic, and you'll see the field – along with the two 20-mFd filter caps – coming off the cathode of the 35Z3 rectifier tube. As you can see, if the second filter cap (the one to the right of the field) were to become shorted, all of the power supply current would flow through the field....and *poof!* Although the original of the Rider schematic I'm using here is a bit blurred, you may also be able to see that the field is marked "300 ohms." This is its d.c. resistance.

A shorted filter cap was a common occurrence because such caps are of "electrolytic" design; their performance depends on the integrity of a thin film of "electrolyte," which dries out and deteriorates with age.

When a dynamic speaker is to be replaced with a "PM" speaker, a substitute power supply filter choke has to be installed. Instead of a choke, the usual service practice was to install a power resistor (with about a 10-watt rating) whose resistance was equal to the d.c. resistance of the original choke. At the same time, the filter caps were usually upgraded to a larger value (at least one of the old ones was burned out anyway and the other one – if still good – was certainly on its way out). A check of the wiring showed that the "mystery" power resistor in our set was wired as a choke replacement and the caps had been upgraded from 20 to 30 mFd.



Function of square-topped shallow metal can located under the chassis was a mystery until I checked the schematic. It turned out to be the second i.f. transformer.

By the time PM speakers came along, filter electrolytics were commonly available, quite inexpensively, in larger sizes. The upgrading helped compensate for the fact that the new filter "choke" had only resistance; not resistance plus inductance as in a true choke. Newer sets with PM speakers designed into them also used a power resistor and larger caps in the power supply filter circuit. This arrangement was quite satisfactory and, as long as the caps were good, there was no noticeable power supply hum audible in the speaker.

Re-Evaluating the Problems

The little Transitone that I selected to be a good example of an AC-DC set restoration has

fooled me on a couple of counts. First through being equipped with Loktal instead of the usual Octal tubes; next through having its major problems solved by a previous repair person. The more common occurrence is to find that the set you'd like to restore has unsolved problems or problems that have been "solved" by casual or botched repairs.

I can't even use the set as an example of the wholesale recapping that I recommend for most restorations. Taking a closer look at the radio, I find that the busy little elf who preceded me has already replaced the filter electrolytics, and all but one of the old wax caps, with new ones.

Except for that one, the handful of caps that I picked up in Rochester will have to wait to be installed another set.

Apparently my predecessor (or whoever hired him) was as taken with the little Philco as I was. Normally we don't find such extensive repairs on such an inexpensive radio. However, I am wondering if performance was not a bit degraded by the fact that a tube with a higher

voltage heater than specified was installed and that a 500-ohm resistor was substituted for the 300-ohm speaker field.

The tube substitution would have lowered the voltage on all of the tube heaters, and the use of a 500- instead of a 300-ohm filter resistor would have lowered plate and screen voltages throughout the set. However, judging by the care with which the repairs were made, my guess is that the performance must have been quite satisfactory. Otherwise the set would not have been left as it was.

Well, I've spent so much time talking about the previous repairs that I'll have to defer a discussion of my own contributions until next time. But I think we've learned as much or more from

studying this unsung repair person's work as we would have if I'd carried out the fixes myself. One of these lessons is certainly that one can often make repairs using parts on hand, even if they are not the values originally used.

I won't get into it with the purists who may object to this approach. In fact, I tend to be a purist myself. Both the purist and the functional points of view can be defended, I'm sure. And the approach you might favor will certainly be affected by the value and rarity of the set you are working on. I do recommend that any substitutions you may make be done in a "reversible" manner so that a future owner who wants to go to the trouble of making the radio absolutely original may still be able to do so.



Power resistor clipped to top of speaker frame replaced field coil when original dynamic speaker was swapped for a "PM" unit (see text).

Include a little note inside the set documenting the changes you have made. And if you do replace any defective original parts, it would be thoughtful to place the old ones in a little glassine bag to be tucked inside the cabinet along with your note. If you've replaced all of the original wax-covered caps, be sure to include them, too. Some folks (I'm not one of them) like to melt off the wax, retrieve the original paper tubes, insert modern caps inside, and re-apply the wax.

For next time, I intend to replace the one wax cap still in the set. I can see why it was ignored because it is buried deep and is going to be a lulu to get at. However, my predecessor has left me so little to do that I can't complain! I also plan to spend some time replacing deteriorated hookup wire. Then, after the volume control receives a bit of cleaner/lubricant spray and I give the top of the chassis (including the tuning capacitor plates) a light cleaning with some canned air, we should be ready to plug in the little "Transitone" and try it out.

All of which goes to show that you certainly don't know what you are going to find inside a radio until you take it out of the cabinet. And that's part of what makes this hobby so much fun! See you next time.



Attenuators Tame Your Outdoor Antenna

by Philip Gebhardt

oday's receivers are so sensitive that you can hear almost any signal you want provided you have a good outdoor antenna. A few years ago, reception of Radio France Internationale's 1400 UTC English transmission on 17650 kHz was poor until I connected an outdoor antenna to my DX-440. And I couldn't even hear Radio Nigeria's 4770 kHz broadcast at 0430 UTC without an outdoor an-

The added signal strength of an outside antenna can minimize the effects of fading. Radio Moscow's broadcast experienced heavy fading at 1445 UTC until I connected the antenna. The extra signal strength meant that when fading was heaviest the signal was still strong enough to keep the receiver's audio output level at maxi-

An outdoor antenna can also extend your listening time, since it brings extra signal strength into your receiver during those periods when propagation from an area is just picking up or when signals are dying out for the day. For example, one morning I heard Radio Australia's 9580 kHz transmission until 1415 UTC with the DX-440's built-in telescoping antenna. With an outdoor dipole, I was able to extend that time to 1500 UTC.

Some antennas exhibit directional properties which can be a real advantage. And, you can select from designs which feature single band or multiband operation.

From all of this it sounds like the outdoor antenna is the best thing since sliced bread. However, not all the characteristics of outdoor antennas are beneficial. An outdoor antenna not only brings in the weak signals you couldn't hear before, but it also boosts the level of the big, high-power stations. The extra signal strength on already strong signals will cause the AGC (automatic gain control) to reduce receiver gain. As a result, a weaker signal on a nearby frequency may not be amplified sufficiently. This effect is known as desensitization.

Sometimes a strong signal causes overloading problems. Consequently, spurious signals appear even though the strong signal may be elsewhere in the band or even outside the band.

And finally, a strong signal will cause the receiver to lock too soon while in the scanning mode. For example, when connected to a simple half-wave dipole, my DX-440 stopped scanning

on 6170 kHz even though the BBC World Service actually transmits on 6175 kHz. Once I put the receiver back into the scan mode, the receiver then locked on 6175 kHz; with another push of the scanning button it locked on 6180 kHz. Sometimes the antenna will boost the noise level to the point that the scanner locks onto noise every 5 kHz!

It would of course be nice to have the best of both worlds: an antenna with gain to bring in the from receiver desensitiza-

tion, overload and incorrect scanner lock. And you can!



A simple solution is to use an attenuator. As the name implies, the device decreases the signal level. The obvious question is: Why build an antenna to bring in extra signal and then build a device to decrease the signal? There are two reasons. First, an outdoor antenna can capture so much signal that even with the attenuator connected there will be more signal coming into the receiver than there would be with just the builtin antenna. Second, with the attenuator disconnected you can use the antenna's maximum gain to pull in weak stations.

The ideal attenuator would be built in a metal box, have several selectable levels of attenuation and have a switch to bypass the device if no attenuation were necessary. However, you can

weak stations and freedom The finished project. Crude, but it works!

still complete the project without metal boxes, rotary switches and panel mounted sockets.

The attenuators described here are built into a section of RG-58 coaxial cable. They attenuate signals on all frequencies from broadcast band through the tropical bands and up through all the world band frequencies. With the attenuator inserted in the antenna feedline, you can reduce the level of strong signals. When the attenuator is removed, you can benefit from your antenna's ability to pull in weak stations.

A typical pi-network attenuator is shown in Figure 1.

The concept is quite simple. R2 and R3 (along with the 50-Ohm receiver input) form a voltage divider which is connected directly across the feedline. The signal voltage across R3 and hence applied to the receiver input is less than the total voltage supplied by the feedline. By selecting appropriate values for R2 and R3, you can provide any value of attenua-

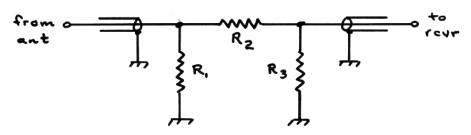


Figure 1. This simple attenuator uses three resistors in a pi-network.

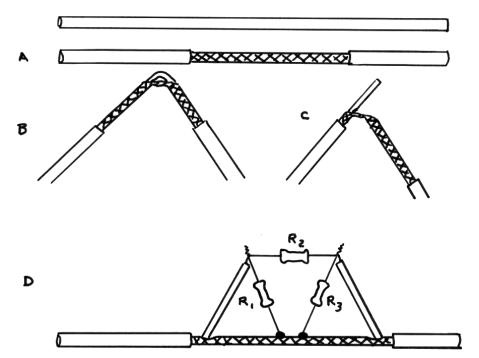


Figure 2. Constructing the attenuators involves a few easy steps.

A – Remove 3 inches (7.5 cm) of outer insulation from the center portion of a 12-inch (30 cm) piece of RG-58 coaxial cable using a sharp knife. Do not nick the shield!

B - Bend the cable in a U-shape and spread the shield strands at the center point. Cut the exposed center conductor. Do not cut the shield!

C - Bend the cable in a U-shape near one end of the exposed shield and spread the shield strands. Fish the center conductor through the opening in the shield. Repeat the procedure at the other end of the exposed shield.

D - Strip the insulation back 1/4 inch (6 mm) on both ends of the exposed center conductor. Connect R2 between the ends of the center conductor. Connect R1 between one end of R2 and the shield. Connect R3 between the other end of R2 and the shield.

E-Attach suitable male connectors to both ends of the cable.

tion necessary. With R2 and R3 connected across the feedline, the 50-Ohm feedline will "see" an impedance value other than the 50-Ohm load it wants. R1 simply reestablishes the 50-Ohm impedance the feedline needs in order to transfer maximum signal.

Table 1 lists values for R1, R2 and R3 for specific values of attenuation. For shortwave listening, precise attenuation and exact impedance match are not critical.

Notice that R1 and R3 are equal. This makes the attenuator symmetrical, which means it can be inserted in the feedline with either R3 or R1 at the receiver end.

A 6-dB attenuator reduces the signal by a factor of 2. For example, if the input signal from the antenna into a 6dB attenuator is 24 microvolts (μV), then the signal out of the attenuator

would be $12 \mu V$. A 12-dB attenuator reduces the signal by a factor of 4. A 24 µV input signal would provide a 6 µV signal to the receiver. And an 18-dB attenuator reduces the signal by a factor of 8. The same 24 μV input signal would produce a 3 µV output.

Figure 2 shows how the attenuators are made.

Connectors on both ends of the attenuator are the same type as used on the feedline from the antenna. To use the attenuator, insert a coupler between the feedline and one end of the attenuator connectors and plug the other end of the attenuator directly into the antenna jack on your receiver. Figure 3 shows how the system looks with an attenuator in place. I used phono plugs on the antenna feedline and the attenuators because they push on and pull off very quickly.

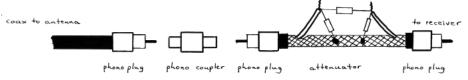


Figure 3. Phono plugs allow insertion or removal of an attenuator in a matter of seconds.

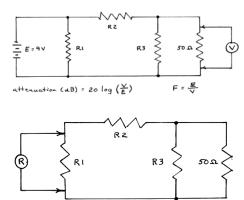
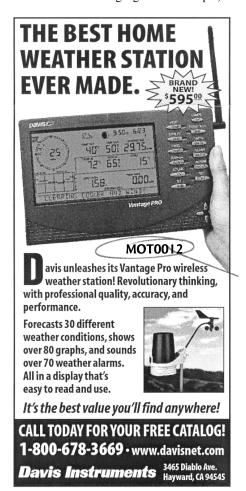


Figure 4(a). Attenuation level can be checked using a battery and a voltmeter. Note that the receiver is replaced with a 50-Ohm resistor. Figure 4(b). Network resistance can be checked by placing an ohmmeter across R1. Note that the receiver is replaced with a 50-hm resistor.

Figure 5 shows how to check the attenuation and resistance of the devices, in case you're so inclined. If you do test the units, note that the receiver is replaced with a 50-Ohm resistor. This is necessary because the checks are being made with direct current rather than a radio signal. My 6-dB attenuator, for example, is actually a 5.6dB attenuator.

Attenuators can be ganged. For example, a



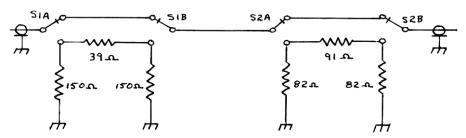


Figure 5. Switched circuits not only allow the attenuator unit to be inserted in the feedline permanently, but you can use fewer networks to achieve the same attenuation.

6-dB attenuator and a 12-dB attenuator in series provide a total of 18 dB of attenuation. And indeed, that's how devices built in metal cases are usually designed. However, constructing a single 18-dB attenuator makes the attenuator more compact and also reduces the chance that it will act like a small antenna and pick up signals. If you do decide to gang attenuators, Table 2 shows the attenuation you can attain by combining individual units.

If you do have the tools and parts to build your attenuator in a metal box, Figure 6 shows the schematic diagram of a unit which provides 0, 6, 12 or 18 dB of attenuation. S1 and S2 are DPDT miniature switches.

For those who wish to design circuits to obtain levels of attenuation other than 6, 12 and 18 dB, the formulas are:

R1=R3=
$$\frac{50(F+1)xR1}{50+R1}$$

and
R2= $\frac{50(F-1)xR1}{50+R1}$

"F" in the above formulas refers to the factor by which you want to reduce the incoming signal. As mentioned previously, a 6-dB attenuator will reduce the signal by a factor of 2, a 12-dB attenuator reduces by a factor of 4 and an 18-dB attenuator reduces by a factor of 8. Maintaining this pattern, the next attenuator would reduce the signal by a factor of 16. However, you can reduce the signal by any factor you wish.

Also, keep in mind that you can "manufacture" resistors if you can't find the value you need. In a 9.5-dB attenuator (F=3), the value of R2 is 66 Ohm. If you can't find a 68-Ohm resistor (the closest standard value), you can use two 33-Ohm resistors in series or two 130-Ohm resistors in parallel. Whenever you have an option, however, use a single resistor.

Other Uses for an Attenuator

While the primary reasons for using an attenuator are to reduce overloading problems and false locking of the scan function, here are two other projects to try.

If you construct three attenuators – 6, 12 and 18 dB – you can assess the effectiveness of your outdoor antenna. Using your receiver's built-in antenna, tune in a solid station that doesn't give a maximum reading on the signal strength indicator. Next, switch to the outdoor antenna and insert the 6-dB attenuator in the feedline. If the signal is still stronger than the strength with the built-in antenna, replace the 6-dB attenuator with the 12-dB version. If that doesn't bring the signal down enough, try the 18-dB device.

If the signal levels from the built-in antenna and the outdoor antenna are comparable with 6 dB of attenuation, then you know that the outdoor antenna provides twice as much input signal as the built-in antenna. If it takes 12 dB of attenuation to achieve the same signal level, then there is four times as much signal from the outdoor antenna. Of course, if 6 dB is not enough attenuation, but 12 dB is too much, then the out-

door antenna is providing between two and four times as much signal.

You can also use the attenuators to picture band conditions. Scan the band in question with the outdoor antenna connected, but no attenuation. Record the number of stations you hear. Now insert the 6-dB attenuator, scan the band again and record how many stations you hear. Repeat the procedure with the 12and 18-dB devices. This will give you an idea of how many weak stations are among those you hear, how many are moderate and how many are strong. If you do this throughout the day, you can get a basic profile of band performance on a daily basis. If you take readings once a day periodically over sev-

Table 1					
Attenuation(dB)	Reduction Factor				
6	2	150	39		
12	4	82	91		
18	8	62	200		

Table I. Resistor values for pi-network attenuator described in the text.

Table 2			
	Total		
12 dB	18 dB	Attenuation	
		6 dB	
Х		12 dB	
	Х	18 dB	
Х		18 dB	
	Х	24 dB	
Х	Х	30 dB	
Х	Х	36 dB	
	12 dB x x	Total 12 dB 18 dB x	

Table 2. Total value of attenuation when individual attenuators are ganged. x indicates which attenuators are used in the combinations.

eral months (or several years, if you're really ambitious), you can observe the changes in propagation over a long period.

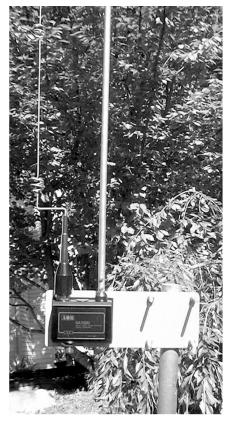
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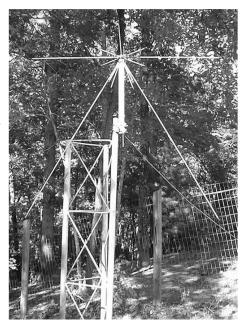
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Can You Teach an Old Dog New Tricks?

ver the course of the past decade or two, there have been excellent receivers that have tried to call themselves scanners, but did not quite make the grade. In one case, the Icom R7000, was definitely not lacking in RF design or signal performance capabilities. So why didn't it make the grade as a great scanner?

The answer lies in the design and implementation of its internal microprocessor controlled functions. Looking at it today, it now seems to us as if the microprocessor control part of the receiver was included as an afterthought and not fully integrated into the radio. Although innovative for its time with a number of scanning modes, including auto-saving, the scan rate is agonizingly slow. Take, for example, scanning memory channels. At about six channels per second, your cats could have kittens while you wait for the R7000 to scan all of its 100 memory channels!!

Step into the Time Machine

Let's transport ourselves back to the late 1970s when these radios were designed. First, we must consider the state of the infant microprocessor/computer technology available at the time. Then, take into account these processors' relatively simple level of operation, high cost and the numerous support circuitry required. Now we have some insight into the answer to our question.

The processor in the R7000 uses a crystal based at 4.91 MHz. This might have been "state of the art" at the time. But today, it is clearly "state of the ARK."

Shift the time machine to 2000, where 133 MHz handheld computers are commonplace, and the level of functional circuit integration has wildly increased, while costs have plummeted. Is there a way to extract the best of these oldie-butgoodie receivers and bypass their 1970/80's computer control technology? That's what we will investigate this month, via a couple of new and updated software offerings.

Are They Still Around?

Check on Ebay and you'll soon realize that there are ICOM R7000s around. For this discussion I started with programs which work with the R7000, such as Radio Max 5.4, ScannerWear 2.5, ScanStar version 7.62, and Scancat 7.5 SE. The authors of these programs are not newcomers to receiver control. Scancat and ScanStar were some of the first receiver control suites and their latest versions are still designed to work with many different receivers.

RadioMax's designer's first efforts were almost as many years ago, and were on the Commodore Amiga. This is where I first encountered a radio control program which provided speech announcements. ScannerWear has not been around

as long as the others, but has established itself as a simple to use package.

Getting Started – Almost

All four programs loaded simply and easily on a Hewlett Packard Pavilion 3266. This is a 233 MHz, MMX Pentium I machine with 32 MB of RAM. This machine is getting on in computer years, but is a good entry-level computer on which to perform tests.

For the many years that I have used versions

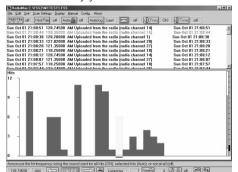


Figure 1 - Comparison of Memory Scan Speeds

of ScanStar, they have all been designed to add modules to your computers' start-up files. This version is no different. This approach worries me, since I never know which modules are always resident. These may be always running in the background whenever you turn on your computer. My concern is what other programs these affect. So far, with the latest version, I have not found any effect on the programs I run routinely. But be prepared to see your computer flash on the screen that four ScanStar modules have been loaded every time you turn on your computer.

Scancat, on the other hand, had some unpredictably "interesting" effects on the radio. For example, sometimes Scancat would not recognize that the R7000 was connected until the screen's tuning knob was clicked on with the mouse.

On Your Marks

In my box of goodies I have a number of receiver interfaces that can be used with the R7000. I initially chose to limit myself to two. The first interface was produced by the Scancat people. The other was supplied by Datametrics many years ago and is pretty close to the ICOM interface CT-17. The Scancat interface proved to be unreliable when used with the other programs. Therefore, I used the Datametrics interface for all tests.

The first phase of the scanning test used each of the programs to download the contents of the R7000

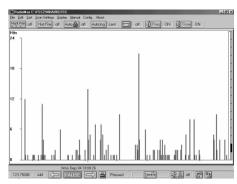


Figure 2 - RadioMax Pushing the R7000 to its Max

memory to the computer. Then each program was instructed to scan the same set of data. This allowed for a common speed test for all programs. Figure 1 is a comparison of the scan rate results.

Although I tried many times to have Scancat download the contents of the R7000 memory, the results were unpredictable. I tried both interfaces to no avail. So Scancat removed itself from the test. This is too bad, since Scancat has many useful control features.

Let's look at how the rest of these programs attempted to revitalize the R7000's painfully slow memory scan rate.

Race Results

The unmodified R7000 has a memory scan rate of around seven channels per minute. My R7000, on which I have implemented a common speed modification, has a scan rate of about eleven channels per second. So what scan rates result from use of these software control programs?

The ScannerWear program, although adding a very useful group of functions, actually decreased the scan rate to between 4 and 8 channels per second. The first scan occurred at the lower scan rate of 4. Then the rate increased to 8 channels per second on subsequent scans.

ScanStar, always an excellent performer, resulted in a very respectable scan rate of 12 channels per second. The latest version of this program uses color to help the user in a very effective manner. ScanStar version 7.62, with its new screen layout and color, advanced scanning, logging and database features, added to its wide range of compatible receivers, makes it one of the best packages I've ever used.

What is a RadioMax?!

The big surprise came from RadioMax. This program can control a whole range of ICOM, AOR, Kenwood, Uniden and other radios. This simple to use program scanned the memory chan-

R7000 SCAN RATE TESTS

PROGRAM	VERSION	SCAN RATE Channels/se
ScanStar	7.62	12
ScannerWear	2.5	8
RadioMax	5.17	18
Scancat	7.5	See Text
R7000 Internal		Х
Modified R7000		10

Figure 3 - R7000 Spectrum Result Using RadioMax

nels at a blazing (well, relatively)18 plus channels per second. That's more than twice the speed of a stock R7000!

RadioMax has been designed with an exceptionally easy user interface. See Figure 2 which shows RadioMax scanning the downloaded memory frequencies.

It proved to be the simplest to operate, yet provided easy access to advanced features. RadioMax allows the user to set up a scan frequency range. As you run the search, a bar graph showing active frequencies is generated.

This can be further speeded-up if you save just the active frequencies. After you have left the program in the search mode for a long period you will have a good list of active channels. Scanning these discrete frequencies brings us back to the higher 18 channels per minute rate.

Of course, with RadioMax you can have the program announce the frequency of each "hit" and the time. This is very useful if you want to capture the loggings with a stereo tape recorder – one channel for the signal audio, the other for frequency and time information. RadioMax also give the user the opportunity to store received audio and announcements in a digital form in the computer's memory. But, be aware that this feature is a memory hog of the highest order.

❖ Max or Star?

RadioMax will allow you to, simply and easily, bring your ICOM R7000 scanning performance into the 21st century. Its many features included fast scanning and an excellent spectrum display, Figure 3. Although not real-time, it is one of the best I've used with the R7000. So, if you have an R7000, want a very simple-to-use, yet powerful control program, and want to speed up the snail, look no further than RadioMax. At \$45 it is an excellent value

On the other hand, if you have an R7000 and a main scanner receiver that was made after Reagan was President and you need advanced database functions, then check out the classic ScanStar. I don't think either will disappoint you.

Don't misinterpret the small amount of print given to ScannerWear. My editor is already trying to cut the column in half! ScannerWear has many useful features and functions and works with a number of scanners. Although we just touched on ScanCat this time, if you do radio monitoring, it is definitely worth a look.

❖ New Master = New Tricks

Initially, I was concerned that due to the R7000's circuits settling time, the higher scan speed that some of these programs could achieve would not be useful. In other words, although scanning at a high speed, signals would be missed or passed over. However, within reason (not setting timer parameters to zero), I have not found this to be the case with the R7000 using RadioMax or ScanStar.

RadioMax version 5.4, the lowest price of the four, is available for \$45 including shipping and handling from Future Scanning Systems at http://www.futurescanning.com, or by telephone 918-335-3318. Check out ScanStar Deluxe at http://www.scanstar.com, or by phone at 1-408-926-5630. At \$159.97, with all of its database and trunk tracking features it's hard to beat for its wide breadth of uses. ScannerWear at \$59, is a product

of R.C.S.I., and can be found at http://www.radioscan.com. The venerable ScanCat can be found prowling at http://www.scancat.com for \$159.95 for the SE version.

We have seen that there is still a lot of high quality life left in the old R7000 if we allow it to be controlled by a new master, the PC. The result is not a 100 channels per second scanner. But the overall signal performance, features and new higher speeds makes it a very respectable scanner. Although the R7000 is one of the best designed receivers that can be rejuvenated by computer control, don't overlook less sophisticated, but still capable, receivers such as the Yaesu FRG-9600.

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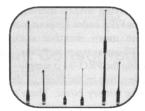
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What is receiver selectivity?

electivity is one of the major specifications of any receiver. While sensitivity is important to ensure that it can receive signals at a sufficient strength, selectivity is also very important. It is this parameter that determines whether the receiver is able to pick out the wanted signal from all the other ones around it. The quality of selectivity is sometimes expressed using the letter Q.

The filters used in receivers these days have very high levels of performance and enable receivers to select out individual signals even on today's crowded bands.

Superhet principle

Most of the receivers that are used today are superheterodyne radios. In these sets the incoming signal is converted down to a fixed intermediate frequency (IF). It is within the IF stages that the main filters are to be found. It is the filter in the IF stages that defines the selectivity performance of the whole set, and as a result the receiver selectivity specification is virtually that of the filter itself.

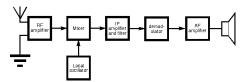


Figure 1 Block diagram of a basic superhet receiver

In some receivers, LC filters (simple inductor-capacitor circuits) may be used, although ceramic filters are better and are used more widely nowadays. For the highest performance, crystal or mechanical filters may be used, although they are naturally more costly and this means they are only found in high performance sets.

Filter parameters

There are two main areas of interest for a filter, the pass band where it accepts signals and allows them through, and the stop band where it rejects them. In an ideal world, a filter would have a response something like that shown in

Figure 2. Here it can be seen that there is an immediate transition between the pass band and the stop band. Also in the pass band the filter does not introduce any loss and in the stop band no signal is allowed through.

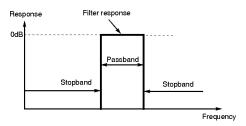


Figure 2 The response of an ideal filter

In reality it is not possible to make a filter with these characteristics and a more typical response is shown in Figure 3. It is fairly obvious from the diagram that there are a number of differences. The first is that there is some loss in the pass band. Secondly, the response does not fall away infinitely fast. Thirdly, the stop band attenuation is not infinite, even though it is very large. Finally, it will be noticed that there is some in-band ripple.

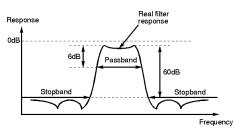


Figure 3 Typical response of a real filter

In most filters the attenuation in the pass band is relatively small. For a typical crystal filter, figures of 2 - 3 dB are fairly typical. However, it is found that very narrow band filters like those used for Morse reception may be higher than this. Fortunately it is quite easy to counteract this loss simply by adding a little extra amplification in the intermediate frequency stages and this factor is not quoted as part of the receiver specification.

It can be seen that the filter response does

not fall away infinitely fast, and it is necessary to define the points between which the pass band lies. For receivers the pass band is taken to be the bandwidth between the points where the response has fallen by 6 dB, i.e. where it is 6 dB down or -6 dB.

A stop band is also defined. For most receiver filters this is taken to start at the point where the response has fallen by 60 dB, although the specification for the filter should be checked for this as some filters may not be as good. Sometimes a filter may have the stop band defined for a 50 dB attenuation rather than 60 dB.

Shape factor

It can be seen that it is very important for the filter to achieve its final level of rejection as quickly as possible once outside the pass band. In other words, the response should fall as quickly as possible. To put a measure on this, a figure known as the shape factor is used. This is simply a ratio of the bandwidths of the pass band and the stop band. Thus a filter with a pass band of 3 kHz at -6dB and a figure of 6 kHz at -60 dB for the stop band would have a shape factor of 2:1.

For this figure to have real meaning the two attenuation figures should also be quoted. As a result the full shape factor specification should be 2:1 at 6/60 dB.

Filter types

A variety of types of filter may be used in a receiver. Older broadcast sets use LC types, i.e. ones containing only inductors and capacitors. These are normally in the form of a transformer that is used to couple one stage of the receiver to the next. Most sets have two or three of these transformers each of which has an adjustable ferrite core to finetune its resonant frequency. Sets using these IF transformers need to be aligned during manufacture to ensure that all the transformers are tuned to the correct frequency. Also after long periods of use, sets can be realigned to ensure the optimum performance is maintained.

In today's sets, ceramic filters are more widely used. Their operation hinges around a phenomenon known as the piezo-electric effect that is exhibited by some materials, in this case a special form of ceramic. Here an electrical signal across the ceramic will set up mechanical vibrations. Similarly any mechanical vibrations on the ceramic will result in an electrical signal being generated. By using this effect an electrical signal is linked to the mechanical resonances of the material. As these resonances can be very sharp, it gives a filter with a very high Q or degree of selectivity.

Ceramic filters can be very cheap, some costing only a few cents. However, higher performance ones are also available, and these are likely to be found in scanners and many other receivers.

For really high levels of filter performance crystal filters are used. Crystals are made from quartz, a naturally occurring form of silicon, although today's components are made from synthetically grown quartz. These crystals also use the piezoelectric effect and operate in the same way as ceramic filters but they exhibit much higher levels of Q and offer far superior degrees of selectivity. Being a resonant element they are used in many areas where an LC resonant circuit might be found. They are used in oscillators (many computers have crystal oscillators in them), but they are also widely used in high performance filters.

Normally, crystal filters are made from a number of individual crystals. The most commonly used configuration is called the half lattice filter as shown in Figure 4. Further sections can be added to the filter to improve the performance. Often a filter will be quoted as having a certain number of poles. There is one pole per crystal, so a six pole crystal filter would contain six crystals, and so forth. Many filters used in amateur communications receivers will contain either six or eight poles.

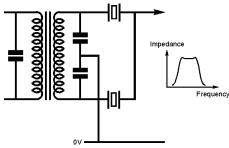
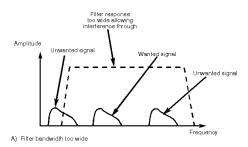


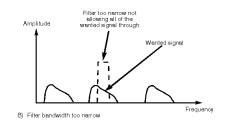
Figure 4 A basic half lattice crystal filter section

Choosing the right bandwidth

It is important to choose the correct bandwidth for a given type of signal. It is obviously necessary to ensure that it is not too wide, otherwise unwanted off-channel signals

will be able to pass though the filter. Conversely, if the filter is too narrow then some of the wanted signal will be rejected and distortion will occur. As different types of transmission occupy different amounts of spectrum bandwidth it is necessary to tailor the filter bandwidth to the type of transmission being received. As a result many receivers switch in different filters for different types of transmission. This may be done either automatically as part of a mode switch, or using a separate filter switch.





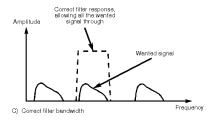


Figure 5 Using the correct filter bandwidth

Typically a filter for AM reception on the shortwave bands will have a bandwidth of around 6 kHz, and one for SSB will be approximately 2.5 kHz. For Morse reception 500 and 250 Hz filters are often used.

Summary

Selectivity is particularly important on today's crowded bands, and it is necessary to ensure that any receiver is able to select the wanted signal as well as it can. Obviously when signals occupy the same frequency there is little that can be done, but by having a good filter it is possible to ensure that you have the best chance or receiving and being able to copy the signal you want.

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Alinco DJ-X2T Portable Wide Band Receiver

e've tested three tiny portable scanners in about as many years: the ICOM IC-R2 (April 1999), the AOR AR-16 (August 1999), and the Yaesu VR-500 (February 2000). A simple pair of AA batteries can power all three models. AOR USA is no longer selling the AR-16, which lacks a limit search and adjustable squelch. The other two remain popular and their discount prices have dropped making them even more attractive.



Figure 1. Alinco DJ-X2T wide coverage re-

Alinco recently introduced its DJ-X2T wide coverage scanner (fig. 1). It is the thinnest scanner available. measuring just over 1/ 2 inch thick. The DJ-X2T's height and width place in the same size class as the tiny IC-R2 and VR-500, so comparison among the three models is inevitable (fig.

The DJ-X2T tunes AM, FM, and WFM signals from 0.53 to almost 1000 MHz. The IC-R2 and

VR-500 top limits are 1310 and 1300 MHz respectively.

Dual Battery System

The DJ-X2T contains an internal lithium-ion battery. If you don't mind the added size, the radio can be powered instead from three AA cells by snapping an auxiliary battery case/charger onto the rear (fig. 3). The combination of radio and battery case is as thick as an IC-R2 and VR-500.

The charger is used in tandem with an AC wall

wart to charge the internal lithium-ion battery at a fast 2-hour rate. Both the battery case/charger and the wall wart are included with the DJ-X2T. The IC-R2 is furnished with a 7-hour wall charger and two NiCd batteries, while the VR-500 comes with neither.

When powered by the three AA batteries, our DJ-X2T consumes 94 mA while scanning. That's less than the IC-R2 (109 mA) and more than the VR-500 (73 mA), which are powered by two AA batteries.

Construction

The slim profile and silver coloring are reminiscent of an art deco cigarette holder from the 1930s. While the case is plastic, the rear panel is made of metal.

Producing a scanner as thin as the DJ-X2T is bound to involve compromises. The radio is truly a shirt pocket model and is too thin to stand upright without the external battery holder attached. There is no belt clip so you must purchase a holster unless you carry the DJ-X2T in a pocket.

The DJ-X2T has no knobs. Operations are performed using an 8 key, nonnumeric pad and a side mounted rocker switch. The keypad is a plastic membrane and the keys are slightly raised "bubbles." Pressing them feels like pressing on burnt toast. One must take care to avoid puncturing a membrane keypad with a sharp fingernail. The key press confirmation beep tone is low volume. It may be disabled but the keys have almost no tactile feedback so we recommend you keep the beep.

Volume and squelch adjustments require multiple key presses using two keys. Changing the frequency takes work too. You can press the 1 MHz or 10 MHz key while pressing the side mounted up/down rocker switch for large frequency excursions.

The supplied flexible antenna screws onto

a brass SMA connector. If you want to listen without attracting unwanted attention, a clever innovation permits you to disconnect the flexible antenna and employ the earphone cord as an antenna. In actual use, signals are much stronger when using the flexible antenna.



The DJ-X2T has 700 memory channels, divided into 10 banks of 70 channels. With 700 channels, the DJ-X2T is positioned midway between the IC-R2's 400 channels in 8 banks and the VR-500's 1000 channels in 10 banks. All three models provide a single VFO.



Figure 3. Rear view of DX-X2T (left) and the snap on, auxilliary battery pack/charger (right).

The DJ-X2T can scan memory, search using the VFO or perform a limit search using one of 20 programmable ranges. A maximum of 5 memory banks may be linked together for scanning. The IC-R2 scans only one bank at a time and the VR-500 scans any combination of its 10 banks. All three models let you choose to resume scanning after a fixed interval or sometime after the signal ends. The DJ-X2 and VR-500 rescan delay time is 2 seconds. The IC-R2 provides a choice of rescan delay times.

All three models permit memory channels to be locked out from the scan and frequencies to be skipped during a limit or VFO search.

Other Features

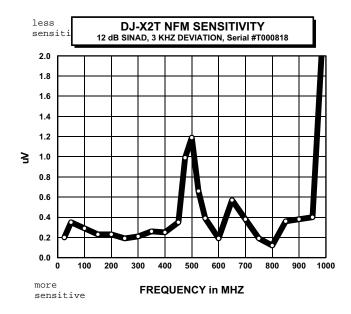
An attenuator may be enabled and is global to all channels. An "Easy Mode" limits commands and prevents memory programming.

You can select from among factory preprogrammed AM, FM, and TV broadcast frequencies in Preset Mode, but the frequencies don't align with American allocations! The AM broadcast band, for instance, is set up to tune in 9 kHz steps from 531 to 1620 kHz and the TV channels are wrong. Wake up, Alinco!

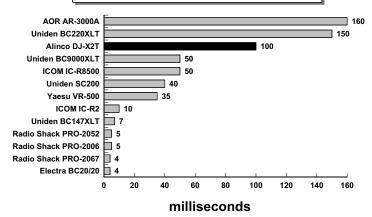
One DJ-X2T may be cloned to another if you buy or build the proper cable and connect the two radios via the earphone jack. Users will be able to program the DJ-X2T using a personal computer, the proper cable (not supplied), and software avail-



Figure 2. Alinco DJ-X2T, Yaesu VR-500, and ICOM IC-R2.



SQUELCH TAIL LENGTH



Notes:

One sample of each model tested.

Produced by a 155 MHz, luV unmodulated signal.

Squelch control set beyond threshold in NFM modepyright 2000, Bob Parnass, A

able from the Alinco web site, http://www.alinco.com. RT Systems is planning to sell programming software, as well. Contact RT Systems at (256) 880-3093 or visit their web page at http://www.rtsars.com for price and availability.

Advertisements for the DJ-X2T brag about a "bugging detector" feature. When placed in the bugging detector mode, the DJ-X2T looks for a

Measurements

Alinco DJ-X2T Wideband Receiver S/N T000818

Street price **\$269.95** Alinco, Inc. 438 Amapola Ave., Unit 130 Torrance, CA 90501

Frequency coverage (MHz):

0.530 - 999.995 (USA version, cell bands blocked)

Step sizes (kHz):

5, 6.25, 8.33, 10, 12.5, 15, 20, 25, 30, 50, 100

FM modulation acceptance: 10.5 kHz

Intermediate Frequencies:

248.45, 38.85 (AM, NFM), and 0.45 MHz

Image rejection due to 1st IF:

47 dB at 40 MHz 67 dB at 155 MHz 74 dB at 460 MHz 64 dB at 860 MHz

Audio output power, measured at ext. speaker jack: 31 mW @ 10% distortion

Squelch tail length (1uV @155 MHz): 100 ms.

Practical memory scan speed: 11 channels/sec.

Current consumption @ 4.5 VDC

off: 0 mA scanning: 94 mA full volume: 124 mA signal with "howling" feedback while scanning the memory channels you've programmed in advance. The howling is presumed to be feedback from an eavesdropping transmitter nearby.

Performance

We borrowed two DJ-X2T scanners for testing. The first one (s/n T000521) receives all FM signals accompanied by a high noise level and further testing shows the radio to be defective. The replacement DJ-X2T (s/n T000818) performs better.

Audio from the thumb-tip-sized speaker is sufficient for listening in a quiet room, but far too weak for use in a noisy room or outdoors. DJ-X2T volume may be set at one of 20 discrete levels and we had to set it at levels 17 and 18 in a quiet room.

Our IC-R2 easily has the best audio of the three scanners, with the VR-500 in between. Both have larger speakers than the DJ-X2T. It's best to use the DJ-X2T with an earphone. The supplied ear bud is padded, fitted with a subminiature (3/16") plug, and reproduces sufficient, pleasant audio.

A squelch tail is the noise burst ("kerchunk" sound) heard at the end of a transmission. We measured our DJ-X2T's squelch tail at 100 ms. The accompanying chart shows our VR-500's tail at 35 ms and our IC-R2 has a brief 10 ms tail.

Our DJ-X2T is remarkably sensitive except

for a deaf spot near 500 MHz. The 145 - 160 MHz band is peppered with intermod products from pagers and a 162.4 MHz NOAA weather transmitter while using an outdoor antenna. Our VR-500 and IC-R2 are much cleaner under the same conditions, with the IC-R2 having the least intermod of the three scanners.

Bottom Line

The DJ-X2T is at its best when used in discreet situations. While powered by the internal battery, the DJ-X2T's ultra slim profile and ability to use the earphone for listening let you monitor virtually unnoticed. Drawbacks include low speaker audio, long squelch tail, and the membrane keypad.

We prefer the VR-500 and IC-R2 for most listening situations. When listening on the internal speaker, the thicker IC-R2 and VR-500 provide much better audio and are easier to use. They are still small enough to carry comfortably in a shirt or jacket pocket.

See the Grove ad on page 25





Protek 3201 RF Field Analyzer

By Bob Grove

Three or four years ago, we reviewed a radical new test instrument produced in Korea, the Protek model 3200. Now upgraded to a model 3201, we thought it might be time to take another look at this unusual piece of equipment.

The 3201 is ideally suited for the installation and maintenance of paging, two-way radio, cellular telephone, cable TV, and satellite TV systems as well as antenna site maintenance.

Lightweight (1.4 lbs.) and compact (4-1/4"W x 9"H x 2"D), the 3201 is intended as a hand-held, portable, multi-function, field test instrument for the radio industry, As such, it is essentially a combination spectrum analyzer, frequency counter, and data recorder with considerable flexibility, and it is extremely easy to use by simply following its on-screen menu.

With a frequency coverage of 100 kHz-2060 MHz, direct-entry keypad, and a versatile LCD display, the unit is designed to operate as a stand-alone instrument or to interface with a computer and a printer. Software, documentation, and an RS232C cable are provided.

The Display

The backlit LCD measures 2-1/2" square (3-1/2" diagonally), and contrast is continuously adjustable for any lighting condition.

Spectrum Analysis

The spectrum analyzer mode is quite user friendly, allowing a choice of sampling steps between 5 kHz and 6 MHz, with 160 total samples per sweep. This equates to spans as small as 800 kHz, to as great as 960 MHz. Unfortunately, the user cannot select resolution bandwidth.

Sweep speed is quite slow, taking about 13 seconds per span, making the capture of short-term transmissions rather hit-and-miss. It is most satisfactory for continuous carriers.

An operating mode may be chosen which allows simultaneous sweep and audio recovery, affording the user the opportunity to sample the hits as the sweep progresses across the spectrum.

Automatic scanning/sweeping is user-programmable, allowing continuous spectrum sweeping, recurrent sweeping over a range, or scanning discrete memory channels. Scanning speed is 12.5 channels per second.

A rotary tuning knob is provided, but its rubbery, erratic response mandates the use of an alternative set of up/down keys.

Audio Recovery

The 3201 does have the capability of allowing audio recovery of AM, WFM, and NFM signals; while SSB is also specified, the low injection level and apparent lack of AGC makes such signals virtually unintelligible. A tiny, one-inch speaker slot on the rear of the unit is barely adequate for quiet environments.

An external earphone jack is provided (ear bud included).

Although sensitivity is excellent (typically 0.5 microvolts NFM), poor dynamic range prohibits serous monitoring applications. Using the rubber duckie antenna included with the set, it works reasonably well, but connecting a large, outdoor antenna invites overload and the attendant mish-mash of mixed signals.

An adjustable squelch level is visualized by an attendant bar graph, allowing the user to adjust audio cutoff levels, as well as choose signal thresholds to automatically stop scanning and searching sequences.

Additional sources of noise include a variety of self-generated spurious signals ("spurs") from the instrument itself. Motorboating sounds, whines, and hisses were commonly heard at various frequency settings; bringing your hand near the LCD while monitoring AM at lower frequencies invites a loud wailing from the display's driver circuitry.

However, audio monitoring is not the instrument's purpose; it is designed for near field measurement of discrete signals, not for scanning the spectrum for listening purposes.

Up to 1600 memory channels including fre-

quency, amplitude, and channel identifier, may be stored in 10 banks.

Frequency Counter

Seven-digit readout with +/-50 PPM accuracy may be expected from 9-2060 MHz. Sensitivity averages 100-150 millivolts, and acquisition time is a short 0.5 seconds. Up to 10 of these readings may be stored in memory for later recall

Bar Graphs

For data comparison, the user may select a display of 1, 5, 10, 20, 40, 80, or 160 separate bar graphs. Two separate signal levels (such as video/sound may be compared on screen in the comparison mode, or up to 160 different signal levels may be shown.

A printer driver allows a permanent record to be made of the instrument's measurements over time.

Power

The 3201 is powered by six internal AA NiCd cells; optionally, an external source of 12 VDC may be applied for extended periods of portable or mobile use. Battery operation is rather short, only about one-half hour with the NiCds supplied with the unit. Recharge time, though, is short – about 1-1/2 hours. A wall adaptor is provided.

To conserve power, the audio section may be switched off during measurements-only use, and the instrument may be programmed to automatically shut down after 5, 10, 20, or 30 minutes of idle time.

The Bottom Line

We found the Protek 3201 to be a highly versatile piece of test equipment, suitable for a variety of field instrumentation applications where compactness and flexibility are of paramount importance.

The 3201 comes with carrying strap, canvas zipper bag, BNC/BNC coax jumper, flex whip, rechargeable NiCd cells, AC wall adaptor/charger, ear bud, PC software, computer cable, documentation, and operating manual.

The Protek3201 is \$2100 retail from Protek, 154 Veterans Drive, Northvale, NJ 07647. Phone(888) 784-8400, fax (201) 767-7343, email hcprotek@hcprotek.com, or visit their web site at http://www.hcprotek.com

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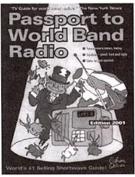
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Yaesu Wide **Coverage Receiver**

The new multimode desktop scanning receiver from Yaesu still had no anticipated release date at presstime, but advance details have been emerging to get hobbyists drooling. Featuring continuous frequency coverage (less cellular) from 100 kHz to 2.6 GHz and direct keypad frequency entry, the VR-5000 the VR-5000 is a lot of radio in a small package at an anticipated price of \$899.95. It comes with ac adapter provided. Optional accessories are a digital signal processing unit, which provides noise reduction, bandpass filtering, notch filtering, and CW (narrow) peak filtering; digital voice recording unit; and a voice synthesizer, which provides audible announcements of the operating frequency for those with vision impairment.



sports a wide variety of scanning capability. The VR-5000 will receive all modes: CW, LSB/USB/AM/AM-N/AM-W/FM-N/FM-W.

Up to 2000 memory channels may be stored in as many as 100 memory banks; both the memory banks and memory channels may be given alpha-numeric labels, and they may be sorted by frequency, alpha-numeric channel name, or by operating mode.

To aid in shortwave listening, a pre-loaded bank of the most popular shortwave broadcast stations is also provided. The frequency list may be edited by the user to accommodate changes. A built-in World Clock includes a time zone map for keeping track of world broadcast times.

Among the advanced features of the VR-5000 are dual receive, a 100 kHz-10 MHz span band scope graphical activity monitor, a frontend RF tune "preselector" (1.8-1000 MHz), field strength meter, audio waveform meter, and Yaesu's exclusive "Smart Search" automatic memory loading feature. Additional features include graphical memory display, memory overwrite protection, memory offset tuning, channel skip, memory sort, frequency-programmable timer/alarm, selectable automatic programming of tuning steps and mode for your frequency range, and more!

Measuring only 7.1x2.75x8 inches and weighing a mere 4.2 lbs,

For pricing and availability call Grove Enterprises (800-438-8155 or visit http://www.groveent.com) or contact your favorite Yaesu dealer. Watch for a full review in MT when the product is released.

QRP Kit

Got an amateur radio hobbyist looking for a winter project? Here's a new 15 meter CW transceiver kit from Oak Hills Research - Doug Demaw's former company, now owned by Milestone Technologies. The \$129.95 OHR 100A kit is available for 15, 20, 30, and 40 meter bands. The 15 meter version puts out a solid 4 to 4.5 watts of RF and can be aligned for either the general or novice portions of the band. Marshall Emm, N1FN, says that OHR has done everything to make this an easy kit to build and an excellent radio to operate.



The radio features adjustable front panel output control; LO available via rear-panel jack for use with external frequency counter or digital dial; variable receiver offset tuning; four pole crystal IF filter

with adjustable IF bandwidth 1200Hz to 400Hz; and adjustable pitch and volume.

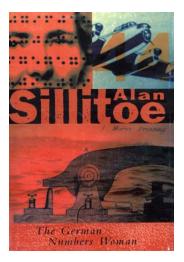
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German Numbers Woman

By Alan Sillitoe

Few contemporary novels concern any aspect of amateur radio broadcasting, so when one appears it seems worthwhile to bring it to the attention of the ham/SWL community.

The theme of Sillitoe's most famous work, The Loneliness of the Long Distance Runner, was people's isolation and how they cope with it. Since ham radio and shortwave listening are often seen as sedentary and solitary pursuits, Sillitoe may have returned to that theme in his new novel. The German Numbers Woman.



Howard, the main character, is a 60-year-old blind RAF veteran and radio amateur operator who spends long hours monitoring ship to shore communications. One night he hears a woman reading German numbers. Even though he seems to be happily married, Howard becomes obsessed with this female voice. He creates a fantasy world around the German numbers woman and, finally, he steps into it. Many twists and turns result in a suspenseful tale of romance and drug smuggling on the high seas which is bound to entertain those interested in the adventure of shortwave communications.

The German Numbers Woman, ISBN 0006552013, is published by Trafalgar Square and can be found at book stores and from Amazon.com on sale at \$11.25.

- Reviewed by Martin Gallas

NRC AM Radio Log/Station Map

Radio hobbyists who prowl the AM broadcast bands (530-1700 kHz) require up-to-date station information in order to maximize their time at the radio. For years now the National Radio Club (NRC) has led the way with topnotch publications DXers should not be without.

A couple of decades ago publications such as White's Radio Log, with complete listings of all AM radio stations on-the-air, were common on magazine racks. But this publication and others are no longer available. So where do you get upto-date information without spending a small fortune?

You should consider purchasing the twenty-first edition of the venerable National Radio Club AM Radio Log. The NRC Log contains complete AM broadcast band radio listings from the United States and Canada, including valuable last minute information on new broadcasters in the expanded AM band (1610-1700 kHz).

In the main section of the AM Radio Log, station listings are broken down by frequency. Each AM broadcast listing includes the station call letters, location, time zone, antenna pattern codes, day and night transmitter powers, special sunrise/ sunset power authorizations, station address/telephone number, programming formats, network affiliation(s), broadcast schedule (if known), and station slogan. There are also crossreferences by city and by call letters. The NRC AM Log is packaged as 320 loose leaf pages (8-1/2" x 11" size) punched for insertion in a three ring binder.

Members of the NRC, DX Audio Service, or International Radio Club of America (IRCA) may purchase the AM Radio Log for \$16.95. Non-member prices for the AM

Radio Log are as follows: U.S. & Canada US\$22.95, Latin America US\$24.00, Europe US\$25.00, and all others US\$28.00.

A companion publication to the NRC Log. the new sixth edition NRC Station Location Map *Book* by Bill Hale, has also been released. Like the NRC Logbook, this edition of the NRC Station Map Book is 8-1/2" x 11" in size, 3-hole punched, loose leaf format and has 239 pages. There are listings for both United States and Canadian AM broadcast stations, but low power repeater stations in Canada and Alaska have been omitted

The book contains maps with index numbers corresponding to the station's geographical location. The latitude and longitude of each transmitter site are also listed. There are nine pages of detailed instructions on how to calculate both distance/bearing using the latitude and longitude information in this book, and sunrise/ sunset formulas by Dave Sundius. The data in this book is current through November 1, 2000.

Prices for the NRC Station Location Map Book are as follows: U.S. & Canada US\$17.95, Latin America US\$21.50, Europe US\$23.50, and all others US\$25.00.

Send all orders for both publications to: National Radio Club, Publications Center, Box 164, Dept W, Mannsville, NY 13661-0164 USA.

AM broadcast DXers and listeners will find both of these products extremely valuable in tuning distant stations in the North American AM broadcast bands.

- Reviewed by Larry Van Horn

You are invited to visit http://www.shoc.ch to experience the online shortwave database from the makers of RadioSpectrumManager software. The site claims, "We do not only sell software, we give you also the best database to run it." The database consists of 127,000 records compiled from on-air monitoring and includes both broadcast and utility loggings. Although the monitoring is done primarily from Europe, it offers an interesting perspective on listening targets that may not be audible in the U.S.

Free Online Database

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- o The AR8600 wide coverage desktop/mobile receiver (500 kHz-2040 MHz less cellular) from AOR still had no price or availability information at presstime. It will feature all mode detection, 1000 memory channels in 20 banks, and will interface with your PC.
- o What do the A and B mean on the back of Radio Shack's updated PRO 92 models? Radio Shack's main tech support says the letter is the designator of the location of the manufacturer,
- "A" being Japan, "B" being China.

 o The Icom R3 has been FCC type accepted and is selling for \$499.95
- The BC 780XLT has been type accepted and is expected to be available this month for \$369.95.

News and Rumors

- o MacRADiO WiNRADiO for Mac is coming soon. This will be the first time a wide-band PC radio is available for Mac. This will be based on the WR-1550e receiver.
- o Drake has ceased the production of the SW8. It has become the victim of sagging sales and increasing costs. The R8B is still a viable product and there are no plans to discontinue that model.
- o AOR has discontinued the AR16 pocket scanner. While a nice little unit, it was never able to profitably compete.

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Government Radio Systems

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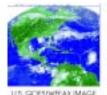
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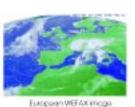


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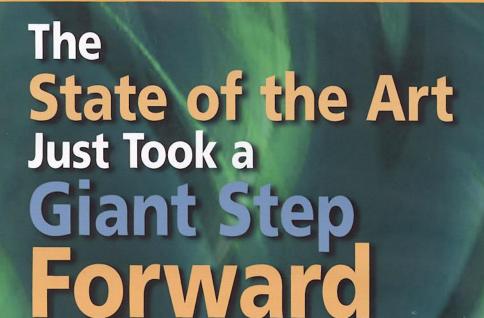


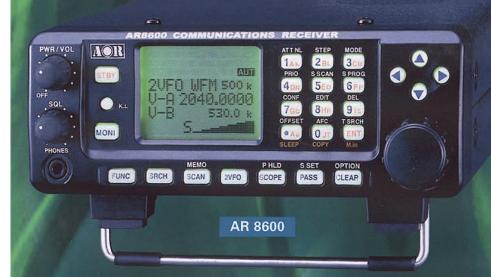
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